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March 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed one copy of Internal Revenue Bureau Form 1096, which should be filled out and executed by you and returned to this office with the reports of salary payments made to the employees of your institution, previously requested.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.

M

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March 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The record of the Appointment Division of the Treasury Department shows that Mr. Siner was promoted from $4.75 per diem to $5.62 per diem, effective December 1, 1918, and reduced to the old rate of $4.75 per diem on July 1, 1919. Neither of these changes is shown on the personnel record card (Form 2806) on file in this office nor on the Application for Annuity filed by Mr. Siner. The change to $5.62 per diem is shown on an old personnel card in this office as becoming effective on November 16, 1918.

Will you please advise what your records show relative to these changes. Reference should be made to retained copies of payrolls, if available, to determine whether the increase to $5.62 per diem became effective on November 16 or December 1, 1918.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

March 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Jacob Pepper has been approved, from the position of Counter at $6.32 per diem on the regular roll of your institution to the position of Assistant Clerk in Charge of the Deposit Weigh Room at $2300 per annum, also on the regular roll of your institution, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Assistant Clerk in Charge of the Deposit Weigh Room was authorized by the President on February 26, 1935, Journal No. 128, Position No. 21657.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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March 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is with reference to your recommendations of March 5 for the appointment of three new employees as Guards at $1200 per annum and for the transfer of five Helpers at $5.00 per diem to positions as Guards at $1200 per annum.

I have recommended approval by the Secretary of your requests in the cases of Elmer Frees, Walter J. McHugh, William T. Kelly and Edward A. Maguire.

When choosing new guards we should follow the policy of taking men who are physically stalwart and who are experienced in the use of arms.

My impression from telephone inquiry concerning the age and physical fitness of Joseph F. Dillon is that he does not meet our requirements.

Hebert Clement is shown by his application to be only 5 feet 3 inches tall and to weigh 175 pounds. His physical build does not appear, therefore, to meet the requirements.

Rose R. Scott is only 5 feet 6½ inches tall and does not appear, therefore, very stalwart. Robert E. Lawson, being 5 feet 7½ inches tall, weighs only 139 pounds. I should like to give further consideration to the advisability of appointing these two men, as I am not satisfied that they meet our requirements physically.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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March 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

On your bullion account current for the month of January the item in the Silver Coinage Bullion account stated as retained charges, etc., has been changed to "Deposits received", as per the bullion abstract. In the Bullion Fund Depositary account the Bureau has designated as such, the items transferred to G. F. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer, and it is requested that on future bullion accounts current such items be so designated by you. In the Cash account the item of $1.36, shown as minor operative wastage, has been changed to indicate it is the value of minor metal transferred to recoinage metal account.

Carbon copy of voucher No. 835, in favor of M. Segal & Sons, is returned for your files.

On the regular payroll for the last half of December, account of J. C. Beans, there is a notation in the margin of absence without pay, which possibly should be designated as overtime, since payment therefor was made as overtime; please advise as to this. On the same payroll, account of Raymond McManus, there is an indication of absence without pay from December 19th to the end of the month. Apparently deduction of pay for the 31st of December was not made - this is an established requirement of the General Accounting Office.

On the emergency payroll for the last half of December, account of Joseph Conway, there has been deducted 6/8 day's pay for absence on December 29th, which absence was not carried on the report of absence and efficiency.

The Bureau has not yet received the required receipt for coin delivered to Nicaragua in November; please advise as to when this may be expected.

The following items pertain to your vouchers paid in January by G. F. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer, through his Philadelphia deputy:

Voucher No. 3 2909 (your number apparently 901) in favor of McArdle & Cooney, Inc., includes an item of 1/2 doz., 1½", 45° galv. iron ells, quoted at $1.28 per dozen, while charge was made of $1.28 for the 1/2 dozen, an apparent overcharge of 64¢. If claim is made that the quotation of $1.28 was intended for 6 instead of per dozen, it will be necessary to file with the voucher conclusive evidence of such fact, also evidence that it was the lowest quotation received on this item.

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Voucher No. 3 2911 (your number probably 903) in favor of Cusack Hardware Company, is not supported by dealer's quotation on any of the items except the first, namely, thread holders; please forward the dealer's quotations to support the other items.

Yours truly,

F-S
Encl.

Director of the Mint.

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March 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Under date of February 28th this Bureau addressed to you a letter stating that we were returning the letter of the Shanghai Mint, forwarded by you to this Bureau. In that letter we requested that you be kind enough to send to the Bureau a draft of the information requested.

I have just observed that the letter which was to be returned to you was not inclosed with our letter.

May I renew my request for this information at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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March 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 11th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Singer Sewing Machine Company to furnish your institution with a heavy duty power sewing machine, at a cost of $121.00; this being the only bid received of three asked.

It is understood that your present sewing machine equipment is not heavy enough for sewing the melters' sleeves, etc., which you are making for the other Government institutions, but if you can add this one machine the work will be gotten out much more promptly.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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March 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of March 12th concerning your January accounts there is returned herewith the proposal of Cusack Hardware Company for thread holders, as a copy thereof is already filed with the voucher. Also returned herewith please find the additional, certified, copy of your purchase order issued to McArdle & Cooney. A copy of the purchase order is already filed with the voucher, but the Mint's indication of a different price cannot take precedence over the dealer's quotation. It is suggested that you forward for filing with the voucher an explanatory statement by McArdle & Cooney, over their signature, with regard to the price of these ells, also copies of any additional quotations received in response to your requests for bids, as regards this item, for consideration by the General Accounting Office as to whether they will allow payment at the higher rate.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

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March 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 11th, you are authorized to purchase one 24" diameter circular saw, 76 teeth, for the cutting of steel or other metals, from the Espen-Lucas Machine Works, at a cost of $163.40.

Please attach a copy of your letter of March 11th to the voucher when payment for this equipment is made.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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March 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter and requisition of yesterday asking for 20,000 of form 288 and 1,000 of form 2163. On February 6th, last, the Division of Supply sent you 15,000 of form 288. Will you please investigate and advise the Bureau whether or not these forms have been received by you; and if you have received them, will you also advise whether you will still require the 20,000 requested yesterday, at the present time. Forms 2163 are being ordered today for forwarding to you at once.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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March 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

The inclosed voucher is returned for certification by the Superintendent, to the effect that the services have been rendered, and material received. Such certification and approval must be made in the lower left-hand corner of the approval certificate, on the face of the voucher.

Kindly return this voucher to the Bureau as soon as possible as it must be forwarded to the General Accounting Office for pre-audit before payment.

In the future please see that the above certification is made when vouchers are originally forwarded to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Alice Payne Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

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March 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed copy of a letter which indicates that Mr. Alfred J. Burns' record does not justify his retention in the Mint service. I therefore suggest that you follow the regular procedure of recommending his dismissal unless you have facts to present which should first be taken into consideration.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.

R:M

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March 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding today a request from the Assay Office at New York for 50 ounces of proof silver.

In connection with this request of the Assay Office at New York for proof silver I desire to establish the practice of having samples of each lot of proof gold sent here to the Bureau for test before it is released for use in the field offices. This procedure will not, of course, be followed in the case of silver. Each lot of proof gold is to be sent here that proper corrections may be applied as an additional safeguard before the proof gold is released to our institutions.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I regret that the Civil Service Commission has advised that Miss Rose Lynch attained an ineligible rating of 53.20 in the Junior Telephone Operator examination.

Please advise whether you wish this office to request another examination for Miss Lynch at this time.

Respectfully,

M. M. Orr

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I regret that the Civil Service Commission has advised this office that Jacob Gassel attained an ineligible rating of 64.30 in the third general clerical examination given him for promotion to the position of Assistant Shipping Clerk. The ratings attained in the first two examinations were 56.80 and 64.80, respectively.

This office will await your recommendation in the matter before taking further action.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

M

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March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed for your information copy of statement furnished this office by the Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department regarding the retirement deductions made from the salary of Chester N. Steever while he was detailed to the Chicago World's Fair Centennial Celebration for the period July 4 to November 9, 1934.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.

M

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March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There has been forwarded to you under separate cover a supply of a leaflet containing the address of the Secretary of the Treasury delivered March 4, 1935, as part of an anniversary day broadcast reviewing the first two years of President Roosevelt's Administration.

Please have a copy of this address accompany the next salary payment made to each employee in your institution.

Respectfully,

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a request from Mr. H. Miller Ainsworth, Department Commander of the American Legion, Austin, Texas, for a statement from you with reference to "the first 100 coins of the Texas Centennial half dollar that were minted and which were mailed to the Federal Reserve Bank under separate seal". The Department Commander states "I would like if possible to have this letter cover as much in detail the facts, for it is our intention to offer these coins and we believe that with the letter to accompany each that they should bring a premium sufficient to help finance some of the sale.".

I suggest that a mere statement be made to the effect that the first 100 coins were encased in envelopes in the order in which they came from the press, without making any further comment.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 16th, you are authorized to make the following purchases of mittens and gloves, for use of the employees of your Mint:

From Richard Evans & Sons, Inc., 50 dozen pairs of heavy, buck mittens, at the rate of $10.00 per dozen pairs, less 1% ten days; this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

From M. Segal & Sons, 50 dozen pairs of heavy, horsehide gloves, at the rate of $5.90 per dozen pairs, net; this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

As you are aware, these mittens and gloves are used in handling the precious metals, and when they become too badly worn for further use, they are to be burned to recover whatever gold and silver may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

John Parker

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

March 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Samuel H. Fisher, Chairman, State of Connecticut Tercentenary Commission, State Library, Hartford, Connecticut, desires that the first one hundred Connecticut Tercentenary coins be placed in small envelopes in the order in which the coins come from the press, the envelopes being numbered.

It is understood that you will, of course, supply these small envelopes without charge.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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March 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 19th, stating that the Connecticut Tercentenary Commission desires to have the first 100 Connecticut commemorative coins numbered and inclosed in separate envelopes.

The Bureau is today in receipt of a letter from the Commission stating that they desire to have the first 200 coins placed in separate envelopes and numbered as they come from the press. The Commission also states that they desire to have fifteen thousand of these coins at the outset. No doubt you will receive formal request from the Tercentenary Commission when the time comes for the placing of the formal order.

How soon may we expect to be able to start on this coinage?

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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March 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter received from the State Department, asking for a quotation on minor coins for Panama.

With the return of this letter will you please advise the Bureau of the charges which should be imposed for this coinage and other pertinent data relating to it, to enable us to make an appropriate reply to the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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March 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfers of Mr. William T. Kelly and Mr. Edward A. Maguire have been approved, from the positions of Helper at $5.00 per diem, on the emergency roll of your institution, to positions as Guards, also on the emergency roll, effective as of date of oath, with compensation at the rate of $1200 per annum, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

March 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The New York Assay Office has requested a supply of a new form to be used for the purpose of providing schedules of the large number of refined silver bars on hand and being received. Presumably such schedules will be useful at your institution also, and a tentative draft of the proposed form is enclosed for your consideration and possible modification suggestion.

At the New York Assay Office the bars, as received, are divided into lots of from 20 to 25 bars of the same stamped fineness, and an assay number (of the test assay) assigned to each such lot. Such assay number is stamped on each one of the bars contained in the lot, thus providing identification of each bar. It will thus be seen that the lots, as received, are not kept intact, but are segregated into groups having same finenesses. The New York Assay Office expects to make their schedules in triplicate. If you would like to use the forms, please advise the Bureau as to the approximate quantity you will need.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

March 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the appointments of Mr. Elmer Freas and Mr. Walter J. McHugh have been approved, for emergency work in the position of Guard in the silver and gold unit of your institution, effective as of date of oath, with compensation at the rate of $1200 per annum, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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March 21, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.

Please wire Mint Bureau immediately whether you foresee any unusually large and unavoidable replacements of equipment during fiscal year beginning next July and if so name the items with estimated costs stop Also report actual purchases of office and mechanical equipment from the emergency appropriation during current year.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director

N.T.R.

March 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

A number of recommendations have been received from you for "promotions" of members of your personnel.

As "administrative promotions" are forbidden by law, and as changes of salary are permitted only when there has been such change in duties as to indicate a new position, I would suggest use of the term "transfer" instead of "promotion" when recommending such changes.

Very truly yours,

Felix Taylor Ross

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M

Director of the Mint.

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March 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 18th, 1935, file M:EM, recommends transfer of Charles E. Braungart, Roller at $6.56 per diem, to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.96 per diem, vice Edward C. Jefferis, who was retired at the close of business September 30, 1933.

The records of this office show that Mr. Jefferis was receiving $6.08 per diem at the time of his retirement. It will, therefore, be impossible to appoint another employee to his position at a higher rate than $6.08 per diem.

If the duties being performed by Mr. Braungart (or which are to be performed by him after his transfer to the position of Skilled Workman) are such as to justify a rate of $6.96 per diem, it will be necessary that proper information be submitted for creation of a new position carrying this rate.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

March 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Your reports of encumbrances under the emergency appropriation indicate that you are using thereof approximately $2,000 per month for expenses other than personnel. It is believed that the regular salaries and expenses appropriation will be sufficient to cover all such expenses during the remainder of this fiscal year, and it therefore is suggested that the emergency appropriation be charged during the remainder of this fiscal year only for such small incidental items as relate solely to the licensing work of the institution, thus materially reducing the monthly draft on the emergency appropriation for other than proper personnel.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F.S

M March 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find check in the amount of $1,128.00, in payment of materials furnished the Navy Department.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F/H

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

March 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise, in confirmation of telephone communication, that the appointment of Mr. William H. Parkinson has been approved, for temporary clerical duties in your institution, effective as of date of oath, with compensation at the rate of $5.00 per diem, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935".

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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March 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 23rd, relative to the assays made by the Assayer of the Bureau of the Mint on proof gold lot #61.

The Assayer of the Bureau reports such gold as being .99995 fine while your assay, being an average of ten assays on this gold, is .99997 fine.

The corrections should be made on the assay determination by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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March 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 23rd, relative to supplying proof gold to New Orleans, New York and Denver. It is noted that our requisitions for 10 ounces for New Orleans, 50 ounces for New York and 100 ounces for Denver are largely in excess of your stock on hand.

This letter will be authority for you to apportion the amount of proof gold you can send out at this time, favoring New York in preference to Denver as to quantity.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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March 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United StatesMint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

The inclosed voucher is returned for your signature as to whether the "Delivery Service at Destination" was or was not by the Government.

Kindly sign and return to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Yours very truly,

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

March 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a blank form of bond to be executed by Mr. Edwin H. Dressel, as Superintendent of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, the duties of which office he will receive upon your retirement.

Will you please instruct Mr. Dressel to have this bond executed and forwarded to the Bureau. He will be notified when the bond is approved, if it is found in proper shape. Please make it clear to Mr. Dressel that he is not to take the oath of office until after he has been advised by this Bureau to do so.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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March 27, 1935.

Mr. Eugene R. Lynch,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed to the Assay Office in New York for conference with the Superintendent in regard to business of that institution which has come up during your absence. Upon completion of this conference please return to the Mint at Philadelphia to complete your duties as Chairman of the Settlement Committee.

While engaged in this service your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1935".

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

W W Powell

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

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March 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 22nd, you are authorized to purchase two lift trucks from Barrett-Cravens Company, at the rate of $134.00 each; this being the lowest of six bids submitted by three firms.

It is understood that these trucks are required for general use in transporting materials, etc., from place to place in your institution and are needed for the reason that several of the old ones have become practically worn out.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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March 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 29th, returning Bill of Lading covering shipment of arm castings from the Denver Mint to you.

Pre-ordered memorandum of the General Accounting Office dated March 23rd, wishes to know" If complete molds were they ingot molds, bullion molds or metal melting molds".

Please advise this bureau for communication to General Accounting Office.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

P/F

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

MARCH 28, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

APPOINTMENTS APPROVED WILLIAM J DOUGHERTY AND ALEXANDER H REED GUARDS AT TWELVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ANNUM EMERGENCY ROLL NOT TO EXTEND BEYOND JUNE THIRTY NINETEEN THIRTY-FIVE.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS,
DIRECTOR

N.T.R.

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March 28, 1935.

Mr. E. R. Lynch,
Chairman Settlement Committee,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Supplementing settlement instructions in 4th paragraph of Bureau's letter of March 21, 1935, please be advised that refined silver bars pertaining to the accounts of silver received as newly mined domestic product under Executive Proclamation of December 21, 1933, also refined silver bars held in trust for account of foreign governments, should be accepted and reported by the Settlement Committee without verification, on the basis of weights and values carried in the accounts, in the same manner as the other mentioned refined silver bars.

Yours truly,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

On February 5th this Office requested that you assist the Bureau by forwarding a list of changes which you believe necessary in order to bring the "Table of Charges" into conformity with present practices. We would be glad to have your assistance in regard to this proposed revision and hope it will be convenient for you to forward suggestions at an early date.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The Quincy Mining Company of Michigan reported a shipment to you in October, last, of approximately 13,000 ounces of silver nuggets. We are unable to locate this item on your form 61 for the period in question and therefore presume it is included in the item of nationalized silver. Since this is a domestic product, the quantity received by you should be stated with indication as to where it appears on your form 61 report. If any other new domestic product is included in the nationalized silver item, please also state that in order that it may be credited to the product of the State in which mined. In this connection reference is made to Bureau's letter of January 10, 1935, relative to preparation of form 61.

Yours truly,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Harry Milburn has been approved, without change in compensation, from the position of Junior Assayer at $6.00 per diem on the emergency roll of the New York Assay Office to the same position on the emergency roll of your institution, effective April 1, 1935; compensation to remain payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", and Mr. Milburn's appointment to remain effective for such period of time as his services may be required in this position, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

M Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Having had an understanding with you that another assayer should be added to your staff and it having been represented also that one who is already trained is greatly needed at your Mint, I have arranged for the transfer from the New York Assay Office of Mr. Harry Milburn who has given unqualified satisfaction in the New York Office. You may expect Mr. Milburn to report to you for duty on the first day of April.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

March 29, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Mint at San Francisco has requested to be supplied with 50 ounces of proof gold. Will you please forward this gold to the Mint at San Francisco after it has been released for distribution and in such quantities as you can provide from time to time.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

March 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Dennis J. Cannon has been approved, from the position of Assistant Superintendent of the Coining Department, on the emergency roll of your institution, at $2900 per annum, to the same position at the same salary on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Assistant Superintendent of the Coining Department on the regular roll was approved by the President on Journal No. 123, position No. 21182, on February 21, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 1, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

On March 1st you forwarded to this Bureau 19.97 fine ounces of proof gold which were shipped in one lot of two separate bundles.

Will you please advise this Office as to whether both bundles were from the same lot of proof. It is inferred that this is the case as you forward a correction of .03 on the entire lot.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Q/eh

April 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please refer to the recent report of the Annual Assay Commission and advise the Bureau relative to wherein the envelopes containing the assay coins proved their ineffectiveness to keep the coins segregated. We would like to know whether the cloth envelopes were insufficiently strong or whether possibly the failure applied to paper envelopes containing the individual coins placed inside of the cloth envelopes.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 1st, you are authorized to purchase from the United Engineering & Foundry Company, two (2) chilled iron rolls, 16" x 16", for use in your large rolling mills, at the rate of $150.00 each; this being the lowest of three bids received.

Authority is also granted to purchase from The Midvale Company, one (1) pair of hardened steel rolls, 9" x 10-3/8", at the rate of $615.00, less ½ of 1% ten days; this being the lowest of three bids received.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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April 3, 1935.

Government Facilities.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to the United States Mint San Francisco as early as practicable ten pairs dime dies, ten pairs one cent dies and ten pairs quarter dollar dies STOP This request for quarter dollar dies confirms telephone request of today.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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April 3, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated March 22, March 27 and April 2, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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April 3, 1935.

Mr. DeForest E. Sessions,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Sessions:

Upon completion of your duties at Philadelphia you will, of course, prepare to return to the Mint at New Orleans. It has occurred to me that you might like to stop here on your way and although you have a round trip ticket you might be able to obtain stop-over privileges.

I regret that I cannot make your visit in Washington an official one but if you care to take the time on your annual leave there would appear to be no reason why you could not do so on the transportation already sent you by arranging a stop-over. Pullman transportation will be sent to you from Philadelphia to Washington if you decide to stop here and Pullman from Washington to New Orleans will be supplied to you when you reach here.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure:
Pullman from Philadelphia
to Washington.

P. S. Since writing the letter it has been found that you did not have a round trip ticket and I am inclosing transportation as well as Pullman.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover the Bureau is forwarding a copy of Class No. 26 of the General Supply Schedule, covering furniture. Upon the receipt of this will you please review your requisition of April 1st as to typewriter stands and order the same through the Schedule. As you are aware, we are obliged to do this.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Douglas Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter addressed to the Secretary of State by the Chinese Minister, requesting the preparation of certain dies. The Secretary of State has been advised by this Department that you will proceed with the preparation of these dies at the earliest practicable date.

You will observe that the Minister requests that thirty (30) pairs should arrive in Shanghai by May 15th. It will, therefore, be necessary for you to execute this order as promptly as possible in order to have the dies reach China on the date named by the Minister.

The inclosed copy of letter from the Chinese Legation can be retained for your files.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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April 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise, in confirmation of telephone conversation, that the appointment of Jonathan M. Paul has been approved, for emergency work in the position of Helper in the silver and gold unit of your institution, effective as of date of oath, with compensation at the rate of $5.00 per diem, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as his services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

M

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Certificate of Administrative Officer submitted by you in connection with the retirement of Mr. Samuel J. Weldin shows the total deductions for the fiscal year 1935 as $53.82 and net deductions as $46.82. This indicates tontine deductions of only $7.00. It does not appear from the absence reports on file in this office that Mr. Weldin has been on leave without pay at any time during the fiscal year and it would seem, therefore, that the tontine deductions should be $9.00.

Please advise the correct amounts in this case; total deductions, tontine, and net.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter received today by this Bureau from Mr. Warren Lee Pierson, Secretary, Second Export-Import Bank of Washington, D. C., relative to an adjustment of the date of the shipment of Cuban pesos which, in regular course, would have been due to arrive in Havana on April 19th. The letter is self-explanatory and you will please take such action as is necessary to cause this shipment to arrive in Havana by April 23rd instead of on April 19th.

You will note that the Under Secretary further requested that draft covering this shipment be dated and forwarded on Saturday, April 13th, as has been the custom in connection with previous shipments, stating that payment would be made upon presentation.

Please advise this Bureau if there is any reason why this alteration in shipping dates can not be effected by you.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a list received from Howland Wood, Curator of the American Numismatic Society, New York, asking for information relative to the coinage executed at your Mint for the Philippine Islands during a large number of years. I am also inclosing with this list a copy of the letter received from Mr. Wood, explaining his desire for this information.

With the return of this list will you please give me the necessary information to make reply to Mr. Wood. The Bureau is indebted to him for many courtesies and we would like to respond to his request as satisfactorily as possible.

Very truly yours,

H. M. Robertson

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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April 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the bond of Mr. Dressel as Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has been approved effective April 8th.

I am inclosing blank form of oath to be used when Mr. Dressel takes the oath on Monday.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Please find inclosed a freight voucher of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the amount of $18.54, covering shipment of filing cabinets from Marietta, Ohio, to Philadelphia supported by Government Bill of Lading 304535.

Please advise this office as to whether these cabinets were purchased from the Emergency Banking Appropriation, and if so, forward to this office copy of bureau authorization to purchase same.

Please return voucher and information requested above, at your earliest possible convenience.

Very truly yours,

H. M. Roosa

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 5th, requesting authority to purchase 300 of the #70 crucibles, 150 each from the Joseph Dixon Crucible Company, and from the Vesuvius Crucible Company, at the rate of $9.40 each less 1% ten days. You state that four bids were received, all of them being the same.

This Bureau is in receipt of a letter from the General Accounting Office, dated March 9, 1935, taking exception to a split proposal made by another mint institution. The General Accounting Office statement is as follows:

> "Also it has been held by this Office that there is no authority to split bids in cases where price, quality and other determining factors are equal, but the award for the entire amount involved in the invitation must be made to one bidder."

The Bureau has been advised that all things being equal, the bid should be drawn by lot and award made to one dealer.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Darlee Pace

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 8, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a letter from the State Department, advising that the terms stated in your letter of March 22nd, covering the cost of manufacturing minor coins for Panama, have been accepted.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of the dies and the execution of that coinage as early as practicable. It is understood that gypsum models of the coins are being forwarded to your Mint.

Our letter of March 25th to the State Department stated that the metals required in this coinage will be furnished by the Government of Panama but the Mint will, if desired, obtain competitive bids on such metal for account and acceptance by the Government of Panama. The Minister requests that such bids be obtained and I suggest that they be not accepted until they have been communicated to the Minister of Panama through this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your accounts for the month of February.

No vouchers are present to support the amount collected from the Government of Cuba, $5,687.50; please forward.

The schedule of bronze list medals totals 14 more than indicated in both the opening balance and the closing balance; the difference occurs in the right-hand column.

Voucher No. 4573 in Mr. Allen's account covering your order #566 for circuit breaker oil is unsupported by modified bid of January 18th pertaining to the containers; please forward same. This modified bid is mentioned on the accepted proposal.

Voucher No. 4575 in favor of Miller, Bain, Beyer & Co., for cotton twill, carries indication of purchase under contract No. T2m-253; apparently this contract number should be T2m-264, as the price paid is that pertaining to contract No. T2m-264; please advise as to this.

Examination of the payrolls is not yet completed; you will be further advised if items requiring further consideration come to attention.

Yours truly,

M. N. Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

APRIL 9, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

APPOINTMENTS APPROVED CUNNINGHAM GORMAN IRWIN KNIGHTON AND SCHWARTZ GUARDS AT TWELVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ANNUM EMERGENCY ROLL NOT TO EXTEND BEYOND JUNE THIRTIETH NINETEEN THIRTY-FIVE.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

OR

April 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a check for two thousand dollars ($2,000.00), from the Secretary to the Minister of China, covering the cost of dies which you are now preparing for the Chinese Government.

Please acknowledge receipt of this check by addressing the Minister directly and, in order to complete our files, send the Bureau a copy of your letter of acknowledgement.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure:
Check for $2,000.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find assay reports pertaining to your February accounts, as below, which it is requested be certified by the Assayer and returned.

Number of assay report		Depositor
15955	-	Robbins Jewelry Company.
16420	-	Nathan Rosenberg.
16519	-	Capital Mfg. Jewelry Company.
17025	-	Gracey Dental Laboratory, Inc.
17592	-	G. W. Seifried Company.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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April 12, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed with this letter a copy of the "Time and Leave Regulations" of the field service, Treasury Department, which are in effect at the present time. They are now under process of revision and you are requested to make any constructive comments or criticisms which you think necessary.

Please give this matter your earliest attention.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
Q/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter received by this Bureau from the Superintendent under date of April 3rd. The letter has been held in this Bureau for consideration.

As the demand upon our available appropriation is very heavy at this time, I should appreciate it if you would reconsider this recommendation and let me have your judgment as to whether or not this investment could be postponed until after the first of July.

Very truly yours,

Robert Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith please find the yellow duplicates of vouchers rendered by you for amounts due on account of manufacture of Cuban coins, as forwarded with your letter of yesterday. The voucher desired by the Bureau was a collection voucher usually consisting of a copy of the receipt issued for the amount collected.

The tape forwarded by you, pertaining to the schedule of list medals, has enabled the Bureau to make correction of the schedule which supports your accounts.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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Encls.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed a copy of letter of April 4 received from the Civil Service Commission which, I regret, appears to render impossible at this time Mr. Gassel's transfer to the position of Assistant Shipping Clerk at $6.72 per diem.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

Inclosure.

April 12, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco.

Dear Sir:

The requests for proof gold far exceed the amount that the Assay Department of the Philadelphia Mint can supply at present.

It requires a period of weeks to prepare each lot of proof metal. You are, therefore, requested to advise your Assayer that proof gold may be conserved by using any standardized fine gold you may have on hand for proof corrections on base and proximate assays.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

C/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 11th concerning the apparent overpayment on January voucher No. 2909 to McArdle & Cooney, Inc., attention is again invited to the Bureau letters of March 11th and March 13th. As previously stated, the dealer's quotation on the items in question was $1.28 per dozen, not $2.56 per dozen as per your order to them and per your letter of April 11th. The dealer's quotation rather than the purchaser's order establishes the rate payable for supplies, and unless the dealer establishes to the satisfaction of the General Accounting Office that his quotation can properly be amended, such quotation must stand and refund be made of any amount paid in excess thereof.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

April 13, 1935

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Domestic silver newly mined on or after April tenth will be paid for when properly supported by prescribed documents at seventy one plus cents per fine ounce using the indefinite decimal resulting from multiplying one point twenty nine twenty nine indefinite by fifty five hundredths stop Carry this silver in the newly mined domestic account but separately state it in records and account current from silver for which sixty four plus cents is paid.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director

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April 15, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" " U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find one copy of the Digest of Comptroller General's Decisions No. 297 dated April 9, 1935.

Attention is particularly invited to digest of decision of March 23, 1935, relative to making of contracts with indefinite provisions therein. This is for your guidance in preparing future contracts.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to Bureau letter of March 21st relative to a proposed new form, for use in providing schedules of refined silver bars, and let the Bureau have your reply thereto without further delay.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Frank E. MacDonald has been approved, from the position of Helper at $5.60 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.24 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Authority for filling the position of Skilled Workman, vice George P. Fannin, was granted by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 141, Position No. 24101.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Miss Rose Lynch has been approved, from the position of Sewing Woman at $4.96 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Skilled Workman at $5.94 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Skilled Workman, vice Charles P. Rumpp, was approved by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 141, Position No. 24102.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M Director of the Mint.

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. John Schwartz has been approved, from the position of Roller at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Prover at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of this position of Prover was authorized by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 140, Position No. 24107.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Richard A. Robinson has been approved, from the position of Roller at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Prover at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of this position of Prover was approved by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 140, Position No. 24106.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Daniel D. Mullin has been approved, from the position of Roller at $6.40 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Prover at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Prover was authorized by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 138, Position No. 23924.

Very truly yours,

Alex Taylor Roe

Director of the Mint.

M

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. John F. Zag has been approved, from the position of Skilled Workman at $5.94 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Roller at $6.56 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Roller, vice Michael F. King, was approved by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 141, Position No. 24098.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Hugh A. Gray has been approved, from the position of Roller at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Prover at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of this position of Prover was authorized by the President on April 9, 1935. Journal No. 140, Position No. 24105.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Charles T. Smith has been approved, from the position of Pressman at $6.32 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Assistant Foreman of the Medal Room at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll of your institution, effective as of date of oath.

Executive authority for creation of the position of Assistant Foreman of the Medal Room was granted on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 140, Position No. 24109.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. John C. Hess has been approved, from the position of Skilled Workman at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Assistant Foreman of Coiner's Transfers at $7.24 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Assistant Foreman of Coiner's Transfers was authorized by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 140, Position No. 24110.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In response to your request of April 12th, there are being forwarded to you under separate cover three copies of the Monetary Units and Coinage Systems of the Principal Countries of the World, 1929. We cannot comply with your request for six of these books because our supply is almost exhausted.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. George H. Taylor has been approved, from the position of Pressman at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Die Setter at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Die Setter was authorized by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 138, Position No. 23921.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Dwight H. Zollers has been approved, from the position of Pressman at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Die Setter at $7.04 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Die Setter was authorized by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 138, Position No. 23922.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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April 15, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

The means we are employing for protection against loss is a matter of constant concern to me. I should like to be satisfied that you are taking every possible precaution to guard against theft, carelessness or avoidable losses in operations. I refer to the precautions being exercised with regard to deposits received in the form of scrap jewelry. Attention is directed particularly to page 7 of the Regulations relative to fragmental deposits.

If you are not already doing so, I direct that you use, as containers for small packages, boxes having locked covers for the purpose of having fragmentary deposits under lock from the time the deposits are received until they are turned into the crucibles in the deposit melting room, and that in all cases more than one person witness the disposal of such deposits at each point from the time they are received over the counter until they reach the melting pot. It is my understanding that such covered locked boxes are used when transferring coin for recoinage from one station to another, and it may be that, in accordance with the regulations, you are now using metal pans conveyed in securely locked boxes.

I call your attention to the care which should surround rejected coins as they come from the weighing machines or from the reviewing tables.

I direct your attention to the possibilities of loss in the refinery, not metallurgical loss alone but losses through carelessness or oversight on the part of those responsible for guarding values.

I should like to feel sure that you are vigilant in seeking out the danger points in order to protect against loss. I shall be glad to have you submit recommendations for new devices or plans if you have any in mind which would improve our present practices.

Please advise me by return mail that every practicable precaution is in effect or will be put into effect immediately at your institution.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 15th forwarding a new proposal signed by McArdle & Cooney, Inc., with the request that it be substituted for the one accompanying January voucher No. 2909.

The voucher in question was sent to the General Accounting Office some time ago, and previous experience has established that the General Accounting Office would not allow withdrawal of any papers filed therein, in order that the suggested substitution be made. Your letter and the accompanying proposal will therefore be filed in this office, with the other correspondence pertaining to this matter, awaiting such action as the General Accounting Office may take on the papers that have originally been submitted, unless you prefer to submit data such as suggested in the Bureau letters of March 11th and March 13th.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

APRIL 17, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

APPOINTMENT APPROVED SADIE GUDMUNDSEN CHARWOMAN AT TEN HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM EMERGENCY ROLL EFFECTIVE DATE OF OATH NOT TO EXTEND BEYOND JUNE THIRTY NINETEEN THIRTY-FIVE.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
DIRECTOR

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 15th relative to collection vouchers pertaining to amounts collected for manufacture of Cuban coins. A copy of Standard voucher form No. 1034 would constitute evidence of a bill rendered for the purpose in question, but would not be evidence of an amount actually collected. While a copy of such voucher will probably accompany to the General Accounting Office the account of Second Export-Import Bank, the purpose of such copy is as a check to insure that the amount paid will be reported as a collection, and is not intended as a collection voucher in support of the account of the officer receiving money. However, it is suggested that the matter be held in abeyance for the present, pending any demand or lack thereof on account of the General Accounting Office with regard to collection vouchers to support amounts received from the Second Export-Import Bank.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Chester N. Steever has been approved, from the position of Machinist at $7.34 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Assistant Foreman of Machinists at $7.98 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath, but not before the effective date of transfer of Mr. Howard Smith from the position of Assistant Foreman.

Filling of the position of Assistant Foreman, upon the transfer of Mr. Smith, was approved by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 139, Position No. 23911.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Howard Smith has been approved, from the position of Assistant Foreman of Machinists at $7.98 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Foreman of Machinists at $2900 per annum, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Foreman of Machinists was approved by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 139, Position No. 23910.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. John H. McCray has been approved, from the position of Adjuster of Scales at $7.34 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Supervisor of Scales at $7.98 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Supervisor of Scales was authorized by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 138, Position No. 23920.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. George N. Kirby has been approved, from the position of Guard at $1320 per annum, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.08 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Skilled Workman was approved by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 139, Position No. 23908.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Mr. Clyde Gurskey has been approved, as Melter at $6.56 per diem on the regular roll of your institution, effective as of date of oath. Taking oath under this appointment will automatically terminate Mr. Gurskey's appointment on the emergency roll. Mr. Gurskey will remain in a probationary status until the expiration of six months from date of entrance on duty under emergency appointment. Retention in service thereafter will confirm the permanent appointment.

Filling of the position of Melter was approved by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 139, Position No. 23909.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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April 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

The inclosed voucher is returned for your signature as to whether the "Pick-up Service at Origin" wasor was not by the Government.

Kindly sign in the executed space and return to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find three signature cards for certifying signatures of officers authorized to certify vouchers for payment. It is requested that Mr. Dressel sign these cards in the upper portion and return them to the Bureau for certification.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the separations of the following-named employees from positions as Counters at $4.00 per diem, because of lack of need for their services, have been approved without prejudice, effective at the close of business March 30, 1935:

Catherine A. McGinnis
Minnie I. Martin.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

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April 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the resignation of Mrs. Florence T. Hawkins from the position of Charwoman at $1080 per annum, on the emergency roll of your institution, has been accepted without prejudice, effective at the close of business April 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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April 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the probational appointment of Mr. Clyde Gurskey, advice to the effect that Mr. Gurskey would remain in a probationary status only till the expiration of six months from date of entrance on duty under emergency appointment was in error. The probationary period begins with the oath under the present appointment and extends six months from that date.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Your recommendation for the probational appointment of Nathan Cohen as Melter at $6.56 per diem has been received from the Manager of the Third Civil Service District.

As you have not indicated that Mr. Cohen's appointment is a replacement, it will be necessary that you submit the usual information required when new positions are created in order that request may be made for Executive authority.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

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April 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Your amended recommendations for transfers of Arthur Grant, Charles J. Wilson and James A. Kerwick have been received. However, this office is unable to locate letter of justification of creation of the positions.

Please forward such letter at once, or a copy thereof. Also please advise whether such letter was previously sent by you.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

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April 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the receipt given by Mr. Dressel on transfer of the Mint from Mr. Raff, also to the bullion account current rendered as Mr. Raff's final account current. These should accurately specify the items actually transferred between the interested parties. The receipt given does not include the surplus gold bullion which was actually on hand, as per settlement statement, while it does include the silver bullion and minor metals which were wasted and were not present, as per settlement statement. Mr. Raff's account current does not carry entries reflecting the results of operation during the period of his superintendency, therefore does not state actual balances of metals on hand at time of transfer.

It is requested that a new bullion account current be prepared covering Mr. Raff's period, taking into it the items of surplus and wastage of metals, and that a new receipt be issued reflecting such results. This can be accomplished by setting up an interim account under the head "Undeposited Revenues", with a credit balance of $16,833.25, value of the net bullion surplus, and showing this credit balance with the other credit balances of the bullion account current, which are transferred to Mr. Dressel. The wastage of minor metals should also be set up as a Receivable Loss. These transactions will not affect the amounts of the other credit balances shown on the bullion account current.

The amended receipt given by Mr. Dressel should carry the additional items: Reimbursable Loss -

Recoinage - - - - - - - - - - - -	$480,924.51,
Minor metal wastage - - - - - - -	1,376.11;

also the item - Bullion constituting deposits numbered from No. 1 to 1235, received from March 15, 1935, to April 6, 1935, and including bullion in lieu of advances thereon of $415,900. The item of Gold Bullion should carry an explanation that it includes revenues undeposited (net surplus bullion), $16,833.25. The interim accounts will be closed out by the transactions of April 11th and April 12th, when the net surplus was deposited in the Treasury and the minor metal wastage was reimbursed.

For your future guidance please be advised that when there is Reimbursable Loss carried in the account at settlement time such reimbursable

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loss should be included in the bookkeeper's balances certified to the settlement committee, and be added to the inventory of cash assets on form 1068, reported by the settlement committee.

Yours truly,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

P.S.--The settlement report shows a checking balance of $105 in your "Regular and Special Deposit Account." Should this have been stated on the line below, as an issued check remaining unpaid?; if not, explanation of the item is requested, since this account is presumed to have been closed out.

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April 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Wade W. Schluraff has been approved, from the position of Helper at $5.60 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.24 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Skilled Workman was approved by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 141, Position No. 24100.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

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April 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This office has received your recommendations for probational appointment of Miss Ethel Cover and Mrs. Eva R. Frank as Sewing Women and Mrs. Margaret E. O'Donnell as Selector, each at $4.96 per diem on the regular roll of your institution.

Request has been made for the necessary Executive authority for the above appointments. However, as these recommendations were not indorsed by the Manager of the Third Civil Service District and as they were accompanied by letters and other papers obviously intended for the District Manager, the entire files are returned to you herewith.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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April 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Miss Adelaide M. Hahs has been approved, from the position of Clerk at $1980 per annum, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Senior Clerk (CAF-5) at $2000 per annum, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Senior Clerk (CAF-5) was authorized by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 140, Position No. 24108.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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April 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 18th, you are authorized to purchase from the Germantown Electric Supply Company, one exhaust fan, 24" diameter, direct connected to a 1/3 HP electric motor, at a cost of $81.00; this being the equal of another bid received from the Diehl Manufacturing Company, while a third bid of $99.50 was received from the Ilg Electric Ventilating Company.

It is understood that lots were drawn on the first two and the lot fell to the Germantown Electric Supply Company.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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April 23, 1 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed are four vouchers of the American Express Company, and copy of General Accounting Office exceptions.

Please make reply to this exception through the Bureau, at the same time returning all the inclosed papers.

Very truly yours,

A. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

APRIL 25, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

APPOINTMENT APPROVED JOSEPH PRENDERGAST LABORER FOUR DOLLARS PER DIEM EMERGENCY ROLL EFFECTIVE DATE OF OATH NOT TO EXTEND BEYOND JUNE THIRTY NINETEEN THIRTY-FIVE STOP TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT THIRTY DAYS PENDING PROBATIONAL APPROVED FRANCES BUTTS SEWING WOMAN AT FOUR DOLLARS NINETY-SIX CENTS PER DIEM REGULAR ROLL.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
DIRECTOR

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April 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In response to your request of April 23rd, there are inclosed blank forms to be filled out by Mr. Hubert D. Coleman, to enable him to sign checks in your name in the absence of Mr. Chaffin, Chief Clerk, and yourself.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
/

April 26, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated April 5, 17 and 24, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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April 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant number 3576-P, dated April 13, 1935, for 504 pounds of 4½ ounce cakes of grit soap at .078¢ per pound, giving a total amount of $39.31, chargeable to the current Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices appropriation. The Department's purchase order is given as 642, so it is presumed that this settlement liquidates your encumbrance of that number. If this is incorrect please advise the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your recent requisition for blank books, forms, etc., which includes an item of 2 books of Mint Service form 16 - a receipt for delivery of gold ingots. This form has been obsolete for many years. Will you please advise the Bureau whether such receipts, in bound volume form, are essential, and if so, what function they perform. Also please advise whether loose receipt form 980-B, copy enclosed, will answer any necessary purpose for which form 16 is now used. If not, please state fully the function performed by receipt form 16 and submit a revised draft, eliminating the words pertaining to gold ingots, with a description of how the form is used, the source of entries therein, etc.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

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April 27, 1935.

Government Facilities.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
" US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
" US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.

In view of emergency you are permitted to emply and put men to work at usual rates pending formal recommendation and approval.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

April 30, 1935.

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Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Separately record and separately report on accounts current the newly mined domestic silver received at each authorized rate under the Presidents proclamations.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director

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April 30, 1935.

Mr. Edwin H. Dressel,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penn.

My dear Mr. Dressel:

I have asked that specific things be done at your institution to add safeguards to the vast values housed at the Mint. I now request that you use all your own ingenuity to discover every possible way by which there might be losses from carelessness or dishonesty, and take immediate remedial measures.

Yours sincerely,

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

R:W

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

April 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the appointment of Frank J. Devine has been approved, for emergency work in the position of Helper in the silver and gold unit of your institution, effective as of date of oath, with compensation at the rate of $5.00 per diem, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as his services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 1, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Mr. Raymond McManus, Guard at $1440 per annum on the regular roll of your institution, has been granted an extension of sixty days' leave without pay from April 15, 1935, pending action upon his application for disability retirement.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 1, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Mr. Patrick H. Duffy, Guard at $1440 per annum on the regular roll of your institution, has been granted an extension of sixty days' leave without pay from April 5, 1935, pending action upon his application for disability retirement.

Respectfully,

M. McReady

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 2, 1933.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.

Please send Bureau today an estimate of the additional cost for employees on account of three shifts from now until the close of the fiscal year.

Nellie Taylor Ross

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This office is undertaking an audit of the retirement deductions and amounts to the credit of employees in the retirement fund, covering the past five years.

In order that the records of your office may be checked with those of this office, please submit at your earliest convenience a list for each fiscal year from 1931 to 1934, inclusive, of all employees subject to the retirement act who were appointed for duty in your institution, or separated from your institution, during that year. Separate list should be furnished for each year. This list need contain no information except the names, listed in two columns. One column should be headed "Appointments"; the other, "Separations". The list should include any of the emergency employees in your institution who may have been previously employed under the Civil Service in some other Government establishment and who have money to their credit in the retirement fund, regardless of the fact that deductions are not being made from their salaries at present. I am not sure that there are any employees in your institution to whom this would apply, but if so it is important that their names be included.

Please make preparation to submit as soon as possible after June 30, 1935, a list of all persons who have been employed in your institution within the purview of the retirement act at any time during the fiscal year 1935, including any who have been separated during the year. As in previous years, this list should show the total deductions for each employee for the year, the tontine deductions and the net deductions. The total gross deductions obtained from this list should check with the totals taken from the payrolls. If the gross or tontine deductions shown on this list for any employee differ from the usual amounts for an employee of the same salary or per diem compensation, this difference must be explained by an appropriate notation.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Certificate of Administrative Officer submitted by you in the case of Thomas C. Callahan shows the retirement deductions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1929, as $66.93. Retirement Record Card on file in this office shows the deductions for that year as $61.83.

Please advise at your earliest convenience which of these amounts is correct. This should be determined from the retained copies of payrolls.

The Civil Service Commission has advised that Mr. Callahan has been found eligible for disability retirement and final approval will be given as soon as the above information is received from you and transmitted to that office.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reil

M Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Charles E. Braungart has been approved, from the position of Roller at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.92 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Filling of the position of Skilled Workman was approved by the President on April 26, 1935, Position No. 24905, Journal No. 147.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

M Acting Director of the Mint.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

MAY 4, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

PLEASE FORWARD IN TODAY'S MAIL FORMAL RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT HENRY M RUBIN WHO HAS BEEN SECURED FOR SERVICE AS JUNIOR ASSAYER YOUR INSTITUTION

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR
OR

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May 4, 1935.

Mr. Henry Marcus,
1138 North Second Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Marcus:

Your letter of May 2nd, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, has been referred to this office for attention.

Your constructive suggestion concerning a third shift to be employed at the Philadelphia Mint, has been read with interest. However, you are under a misapprehension in thinking that the Mint is running twelve-hour shifts at the present time. The Mint is operating twenty-four hours a day, with three shifts of eight hours each. For a period of approximately two days the Philadelphia Mint was operating with two shifts, while the third was being organized.

Applications for positions at that institution should be made direct to the superintendent of the Mint, Mr. Edwin Dressel.

Yours truly,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

W

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May 6, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Check for Cuban coinage being sent by special delivery today.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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May 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a request for service record in the case of William K. Dawley. According to the record of this office he served in your institution as Machinist on work connected with the Manila Mint, with compensation at $6.00 per diem, from December 20, 1918, to April 26, 1919. He, however, claims to have had nine months' service in your institution. Please advise what your records show as to this man's service.

Respectfully,

H D Reed

M Acting Director of the Mint.

May 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of request for the service record of William H. LeNoir. According to our record he was employed as Helper at $4.50 per diem, in your institution, from October 10, 1921, to November 15, 1921, and from August 22, 1922, to April 6, 1923. Please advise whether your records show either of these periods of service to have been in a probational or permanent status and, if so, please furnish statement of retirement deductions, by fiscal years.

Respectfully,

W. M. R. [illegible]

M Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the minor coinage metal fund checking credit transferred to you some time ago by the coinage mints, it appears probable that the San Francisco Mint will need the funds at an early date, therefore it is suggested that the amount be returned to them, as per directions given at the time the transfer was made. It is noted from your cashier's daily statement that you have sufficient to your credit to cover the transfer at this time. It is also suggested that as soon as practicable the amount loaned to you by the Denver Mint be returned to them.

Yours truly,

D. M. Bailey

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the resignation of Mr. Frank M. Harrold from the position of Roller at $5.00 per diem on the emergency roll of your institution has been accepted without prejudice, effective at the close of business April 22, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

M

May 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the separation of Mr. Thomas M. Drew from the position of Helper at $5.00 per diem, on the emergency roll of your institution, has been approved because of unsatisfactory services, effective at the close of business April 25, 1935.

Respectfully,

M. M. Rhea

M Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to our telephone communication of last week relative to Panama coinage.

This Bureau is now in receipt of a letter from the State Department, stating that the "Government of Panama accepts with pleasure the offer of the Philadelphia Mint to supply the metal necessary for the minting of 2,000 Balboas in coins of one one-hundredth of a Balboa at a total cost of $216.86".

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the execution of this coinage as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

May 8, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement of warrant #3841-P, dated April 30, 1935, for the following:

Purchase Order No.	Item	Weight	Unit Price	Amount
730	Soap, toilet, floating, white	371.5	$ .062	$ 23.03
730	Soap, grit, type B	315	.031	9.77
730	Handles, brush, sweeping, floor,	60 ea.	.08	4.80
731	Glue, liquid	18 cans	.49	8.82
				$ 46.42

The total amount of $46.42 is chargeable to the Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices appropriation.

It is presumed that this settlement liquidates your encumbrance of the above purchase order numbers.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

AGP/mu

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May 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Francis Walker to the position of Fireman at $5.60 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, has been approved, effective as of date of new oath. Filling of the position was approved by the President on April 26, 1935, Journal No. 147, Position No. 24909.

Very truly yours,

M

Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Mrs. Margaret E. O'Donnell to the position of Selector at $4.96 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, has been approved, effective as of date of oath. Filling of the position was approved by the President on April 26, 1935, Journal No. 147, Position No. 24907.

Very truly yours,

M

Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Mrs. Eva R. Frank to the position of Sewing Woman at $4.96 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, has been approved, effective as of date of oath. Filling of the position was approved by the President on April 26, 1935, Journal No. 147, Position No. 24906.

Very truly yours,

M Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Miss Ethel Cover as Sewing Woman at $4.96 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, has been approved, effective as of date of oath. Filling of this position was approved by the President on April 26, 1935, Journal No. 147, Position No. 24910.

Very truly yours,

M

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Mrs. Frances Butts as Sewing Woman at $4.96 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, has been approved, effective as of date of new oath. Filling of the position was approved by the President on April 26, 1935, Position No. 24908, Journal No. 147.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept lowest bid for supplying your Mint with five thousand yards olive drab twill thirty-six inches wide STOP Commissioner of Prisons releases this purchase on account of emergency.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

May 10, 1955.

Government Facilities

Mr. Edwin Dressel, Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Secret Service report on Andrew J. Nelson has reached my desk. You are directed to drop him without delay owing to evidence of criminal record STOP In confirmation of previous statement of policy all other temporary employees against whom there is evidence shown by Secret Service of conviction of crime must be rejected STOP Hereafter place no person upon your rolls whom you know to have had such history STOP John J. May being old Civil Service employee may be suspended until I have time to ascertain whether consideration can be given to placing him in some government position outside Mint.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS N.T.R.
Director.

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May 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 9th, you are authorized to purchase two Remington noiseless typewriters, it being understood that these machines will be selected from the General Schedule of Supplies.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 11, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Export-Import Bank will make arrangements for your one million dollar shipment on Tuesday.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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May 11,1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

This will confirm telephoned authorization to forward to the Mint at San Francisco twenty pairs one cent dies.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

May 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 10th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the American Smelting and Refining Company to supply your Mint with 40 lbs. of copper in cathode plates, at the rate of 9¢ per pound; this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

May 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 10th calling attention to a balance, as of April 30, 1935, of only $883.34 in the Minor Coinage Profits Disbursing Account of Mr. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer. It is presumed that this pertains to his Philadelphia regional account - not to his Washington disbursing account. The $20,000.00 mentioned in your letter was placed to the credit of his Washington disbursing account and has been used, in large part, to meet expense bills covering shipments of minor coins.

It is requested that you replenish both the Washington disbursing account and the Philadelphia regional account, from accruing minor coinage profits, using the following procedure:

For the Washington office please transfer a total of $30,000.00, drawing the checks in favor of G. F. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer, listing them, in triplicate, on Standard Form 1044, "Schedule of Collections", and forward them to him in Washington for credit under his disbursing symbol No. 101 - 100 and under the symbol and title "2S 000, Minor Coinage Profits."

Your regional account should also be replenished in such round amount, from time to time, as will meet your needs, using the same procedure as described above for replenishing the Washington account,

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but sending the checks to the regional office for credit under the disbursing symbol 891 - 807. Vouchers submitted for payment should carry the above quoted fund symbol and title, and be scheduled as are other vouchers, on Standard Form 1064.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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May 13, 1935.

MEMORANDUM PERTAINING TO THE PHILADELPHIA REGIONAL ACCOUNT OF G. F. ALLEN, CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER, FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1935, AS RELATES TO THE ACCOUNT OF THE PHILADELPHIA MINT.

Summary statements of disbursements, Standard Form 1065, as rendered by Disbursing Office are unsatisfactory for administrative purposes; could be satisfactorily prepared by carrying thereon recapitulations, by appropriations, of the Schedules of Disbursements, Standard Form 1064. These items must be brought together and added for arriving at totals chargeable to each appropriation.

The Mint Bureau did not receive its administrative office copies of certificates of deposit numbered 474 and 576, dated March 6 and March 22, 1935, presumably prepared by the regional office rather than by the Philadelphia Mint office since they are of a different numerical series than the other certificates of deposit pertaining to the account. Regular practice is that the issuing office forwards to the administrative office a carbon copy of each certificate of deposit, at the time it is issued.

Nellie Taylor Ross

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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May 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your March accounts.

Please forward a copy each of vouchers numbered 5415 and 5850, constituting transactions between two Government departments.

Please also forward an impression foreach of the rubber stamps purchased per voucher No. 5416, for attaching thereto .

Voucher No. 6638 - rubber hose from Stempel Company - lacks indication of whether purchase was from lowest bidder; please advise as to needed amendment of certificate.

Please forward a schedule, in duplicate, of gold increment certificates of deposit issued.

Examination of payrolls is not yet complete.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

P-F-S

May 13, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward twenty pairs one cent dies to Denver.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

May 14, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

This will confirm telephone conversation this morning requesting you to forward to Denver as soon as possible a partial shipment of their April twenty-fourth order for coinsacks.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

May 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Certificate of Administrative Officer submitted by you in the case of Patrick H. Duffy shows the retirement deductions for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1922, and June 30, 1923, as $25.29 and $22.56, respectively. These deductions are shown on Retirement Record Card on file in this office as $13.77 and $22.21, respectively.

Will you please verify these amounts by reference to the original payrolls and advise this office further in the matter at your earliest convenience.

In view of the above discrepancies, and a similar discrepancy in the recent case of Thomas C. Callahan, it appears that the entries on Retirement Record Cards in this office, for past years, are not invariably correct. As it is essential that the records in this office be correct, I request that you submit without delay a statement showing the total amount to the credit of each employee of your institution in the retirement fund as of June 30, 1934. This statement will be checked with the Retirement Record Cards in this office and any discrepancies will be investigated further.

Please advise when this office may expect response to its request of May 3 for lists of separations and appointments on your regular roll for the fiscal years from 1931 to 1934, inclusive. The time is rapidly approaching when these lists, together with the statement requested in this letter, must be available in this office.

Very truly yours,

Felix Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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May 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that appointments of the following-named persons have been approved for emergency work in the positions indicated, effective in each case as of date of oath, with compensation as shown, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935:

Edward Conway	Melter	$5.00	per	diem
Patrick J. Hunt	do	5.00	"	"
Michael F. Maher	do	5.00	"	"
Eva M. Dove	Counter	4.00	"	"
Helen M. Whelen	do	4.00	"	"
Andrew J. Nelson	Machinist	6.32	"	"

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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May 13, 1935.

Mr. Edwin Dressel, Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Dressel:

Further with reference to the policy I have stated, that no persons against whom there is evidence of criminal record may be retained in the Mint: This applies, as doubtless you understand from our verbal conversations, to those whose records show conviction of an offense impugning honesty. Manifestly, an infraction of a traffic rule, or of the prohibition law when we had prohibition, or such an offense as fighting, and others that might be mentioned, would not come in this class because they are clearly unrelated to the responsibilities of the Mint.

I regret, as I am sure you do, that this policy will bring disappointment to some whom you have planned to employ in your institution, but there is no question in my own mind of its wisdom. Neither you nor I can afford to have in the personnel any person whom individuals or the press might point to as of known vulnerability so far as honesty is concerned.

Already the report has come to me from the outside, that such persons have invaded our service, and you may be sure that I have lost no time in making an investigation.

Yours sincerely,

Nellie Taylor Ross

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

R:W

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May 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Arthur Grant has been approved, from the position of Skilled Workman at $6.32 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Pressman at $6.72 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Pressman at $6.72 per diem was authorized by the President on May 6, 1935, Journal No. 148, Position No. 25010.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

M Director of the Mint.

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May 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Charles J. Wilson has been approved, from the position of Skilled Workman at $6.16 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Pressman at $6.72 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Pressman at $6.72 per diem was authorized by the President on May 6, 1935, Journal No. 148, Position No. 25012.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

M Director of the Mint.

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May 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. James A. Kerwick has been approved, from the position of Skilled Workman at $6.16 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Pressman at $6.72 per diem, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Pressman at $6.72 per diem was authorized by the President on May 6, 1935, Journal No. 148, Position No. 25011.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

M Director of the Mint.

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May 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the application of Mr. David Barry for retirement by reason of disability, please furnish without delay a statement, by fiscal years, of the aggregate salary payments during the period from October 1, 1920, to December 15, 1922, inclusive, throughout which time Mr. Barry was employed as Laborer and deductions were not made from his salary. This statement should not include any pay for overtime.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

M Director of the Mint.

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May 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm request made over the telephone that you forward twenty collars for large presses and four collars for small presses, to be used in connection with Mexican coinage, to the Denver Mint.

Very truly yours,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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May 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that appointments of the persons recommended in your seven letters of May 8, 1935, have been approved for emergency work in the positions recommended in those letters, effective in each case as of date of oath, with compensation at the rates recommended by you, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935. For the purpose of identification, the first and last name on each list and the number of names included in each list are as follows:

First name on list	Last name on list	Number of names on list
Joseph J. Coleman	William Ferro	50
John Fine	John J. Lally	50
Thomas J. Lavery	Bernard R. McNamara	50
William McNeill	Harry R. Sasman, Jr.	50
Mary Gerose	Paul S. Shanahan	50
James A. Grant	Abraham Cohen	50
Dennis Satchell	Robert B. Wunder	47

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 14th, you are authorized to purchase, in accordance with the Procurement Division, Branch of Supply Schedule, one Stromberg clock, master control, including 80-beat movement, at a cost of $112.70.

Payment is to be made from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1935".

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
U S Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Last page of your March bullion account current is herewith returned for signature.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

P F

May 17, 1935.

Government Facilities.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

I am in receipt of letter from National City Bank inclosing copy of letter addressed to you relative coinage for Honduras STOP It is hoped that with the information contained in the letter to you from the National City Bank you will be able to make an estimate of the cost of this coinage STOP Please do not reply to the National City Bank but send information directly to the Bureau with the return of the Black Department letter forwarded to you.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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May 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I have secured Richard W. Cunningham of Massachusetts for position as Junior Assayer in your institution. Please forward recommendation for his appointment without delay and have "Application for Postion" executed when he reports for duty.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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May 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your recommendation of May 13 for the separation for inefficiency of Cornelius J. Brady, Machinist at $6.32 per diem on your emergency roll. However, no recommendation for Mr. Brady's appointment appears to have been received in this office.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

M

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May 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There are inclosed herewith Secret Service reports in connection with the following-named employees or applicants for positions in your institution:

William Jackson
John Lombardi
Oscar Williams
Morris Kurtz
James Collins

In accordance with our previous understanding, in any case where an employee's record is such as to create any doubt as to his honesty he should be immediately suspended from duty and recommendation should be submitted for his dismissal.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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May 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the appointment of Mr. Harry S. Milburn has been amended to specify a salary of $6.50 per diem, effective May 16, 1935. New oath of office will not be required for this change.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

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May 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter addressed to Mr. John H. McCray, giving him instructions relative to packing an automatic weighing machine now on hand at the Federal Reserve Bank in New York, which the Bank has kindly agreed to lend to us.

Having in mind the pressure for coinage at your Mint, I hope this machine can be assembled as quickly as possible in order that you may have the benefit of its use.

Will you kindly deliver the inclosed letter to Mr. McCray.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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May 18, 1935.

Mr. John H. McCray,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing authority for you to proceed to New York for the purpose of preparing and shipping to the Mint at Philadelphia the automatic weighing machine to be lent to us by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

You are at liberty to call upon the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York for assistance. I shall instruct him to provide you with adequate assistance to take this machine apart and pack it.

We have agreed to cover the cost of the packing. It will, therefore, be necessary for you to purchase the required material. The case or cases should be shipped on Government bills of lading. Copies of these bills of lading may be procured by you from the New York Assay Office.

As we are very anxious to have this machine assembled at Philadelphia as soon as possible, I shall appreciate your expediting this work.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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May 18, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

For reasons stated in your letter of May sixteenth authorized to accept proposal of Ross-Tacony Crucible Company for three hundred graphite covers for number seventy crucibles at rate of one dollar seventy five cents each less one percent ten days.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

N.T.R.

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May 20, 1935.

Mr. John R. Sinnock,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is called to the fact that the mint marks on San Francisco delivery #91, Daniel Boone half dollar special assay coins, were illegible.

It appears that this probably was due to a poor mint mark on the die, as the delivery only amounted to $2502.50, which was too small to result in a poor mint mark due to a worn die.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Q/eh

May 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 17th, you are authorized to purchase from Miller, Bain & Beyer & Company, 5,000 yards of olive drab twill at the rate of $0.1474 per yard; this being the lowest of four bids received of seven asked.

It is understood that the Department of Justice has already granted you a release for the purchase of this material in the commercial markets.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 18th, you are authorized to purchase from Olson & French, Inc., approximately 15,000 yards of 54" heavy cotton twill, at the rate of $0.2922 per yard; this being the lowest of five bids received of seven asked.

It is understood that a release for the purchase of this material in the commercial market has already been granted by the Department of Justice.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 17th, you are authorized to purchase approximately 1000 pounds of asbestos cloth, from Keasbey & Mattison Company, at the rate of $0.304 per pound; this being one of three identical bids received of three invited.

It is understood that a 2% discount for payment in ten days is given on all the bids.

It is further understood that this award was made by the drawing of lots.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 17th, you are authorized to purchase three semi-steel retorts for use in your #17 heating machines, from the American Gas Furnace Company, at the rate of $160.00 each less 1% ten days; this being one of two equal bids received of three asked.

It is understood that this bid was awarded by the drawing of lots.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 17th, you are authorized to purchase from Miller, Bain, Beyer and Company, approximately 15,000 yards of muslin 54" wide, for use in making small coin bags, at the rate of $0.1544 per yard; this being the lowest of five prices received from four firms, out of seven asked.

It is understood that release for the purchase of this muslin has already been granted by the Department of Justice.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

May 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telegram of May 18th, authorizing you to purchase three hundred graphite covers for #70 crucibles, at the rate of $1.75 each less 1% 10 days, from the Ross-Tacony Crucible Company.

It is understood that on account of the very heavy demand being made on your institution at the present time, your stock of covers has become exhausted and for that reason you request authority to purchase covers from the above named firm since they have a sufficient supply on hand to tide over until others can be obtained.

It is further understood that two other firms, while they had a few on hand, were not considered because they are not in the city and delivery would be somewhat delayed and cause considerable inconvenience.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The two notices of exceptions of the General Accounting Office, received with your letter of May 18th, are returned for your files, as we have copies of them.

If you will forward copies of the vouchers in question in order that we may be informed as to the details thereof, we will attempt to clear the matter before the General Accounting Office. The copies of vouchers will be returned for your files.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

T-S
Encl.

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May 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Civil Service Commission has requested that Mr. William W. Gildner execute a new affidavit as to marital status and members of family in the service. It is stated by that office that question No. 4 should be answered "yes" or "no" and that Mr. Gildner apparently misunderstood question No. 5.

Form to be used by Mr. Gildner is inclosed.

Very truly yours,

M Director of the Mint.

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May 21, 1935.

Mr. Edwin Dressel,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penn.

My dear Mr. Dressel:

I note your suggestion that the guards in Philadelphia are not receiving as high pay as employees in other divisions of the Mint-service, and your opinion that the salaries should be higher.

I remind you that it is impossible at this time to increase salaries, owing to a prohibition of law. This fact, however, could be pointed out to your guards, that the type of work makes vastly less demand upon physical strength and endurance than does work in the melting and rolling divisions and other units calling for hard, physical labor.

With so many men out of work it should not be difficult to secure physically stalwart men for guards, and the fact that after a time they apply for transfer to other units does not, of course, imply that you must comply.

Yours sincerely,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

R:W

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May 22, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, N.Y.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter from the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary, upon the back of which will be found a form to be used by you in listing papers and records which have no permanent value or historical interest and which are not used in the transaction of current business. This list, in accordance with law, must be submitted to Congress.

Please read the instructions carefully and forward the report to this Bureau as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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May 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the transfer of Mr. Joseph B. Davis has been approved, from the position of Skilled Workman at $1980 per annum, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Storekeeper at $2200 per annum, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Storekeeper was authorized by the President on April 5, 1935, Journal No. 138, Position No. 23923.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the probational appointment of Mr. Nathan Cohen has been approved, to the position of Melter at $6.56 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution, effective as of date of oath.

Creation of the position of Melter at $6.56 per diem was authorized by the President on May 6, 1935, Journal No. 148, Position No. 25013.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 18, 1935, showing by fiscal years the aggregate salary payments to Mr. David Barry for the period from October 1, 1920, to December 15, 1922, inclusive.

As it appears that retirement deductions were made from Mr. Barry's salary throughout the period from September 1 to December 15, 1922, while he was still employed as a laborer, it will be necessary for you to advise the aggregate salary payments, exclusive of overtime, for the period from July 1 to August 31, 1922, inclusive.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 21st, you are authorized to purchase 2500 pounds of powdered cream of tarter from The Harshaw Chemical Company, at the rate of 16½¢ per pound, less 1% ten days.

It is understood that three firms were asked to bid and all responded; the price quoted by the above firm and one other being identical while the third firm quoted a slightly higher price.

It is further understood that lots were drawn on the two identical bids and the award made to The Harshaw Chemical Company.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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May 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter from the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company, asking for an estimate on the coinage of minor coins for Colombia. I am inclosing this letter with the request that you return it, unmarked, with the information necessary to cover the scope of the inquiry of the Bank.

Please retain the coins inclosed in this letter for future use by you.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

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May 23, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Copy of message to Denver Mint follows stop Please conform stop Quote transfer tommorow May twenty fourth to Philadelphia Mint from your account subsidiary silver coinage bullion three hundred thousand fine ounces silver with value one hundred fifty thousand six hundred dollars stop Simultaneously transfer from Philadelphia Mint three hundred thousand fine ounces silver without value and take into an account in the name of the Government of Mexico stop These are book transfers so do not ship the silver stop Philadelphia Mint will make contra transfers May twenty fourth stop Report to the Treasurer United States the subsidiary silver transfer but not the other one stop Mexican coinage can proceed stop Letter follows unquote.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director

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May 23, 1935.

Mr. Hubert D. Coleman, Superintendent,
Melting and Refining Department,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Coleman:

Mr. Sinnock has written to me of your patriotic proposal to lend your collection of coins to be added to the Mint display at the San Diego Exposition. I wish to express my personal appreciation for your generosity. The coins will constitute the most interesting feature of our exhibit and I am grateful to you for offering us the use of the collection.

I have asked the Chief Clerk of the Department, the officer in charge of developing our exhibit, about insurance and have been told that the Bureau would not be allowed to carry insurance on the collection for the reason that the Government has no "insurable interest". I feel that the exhibit should be insured and am writing to ask how you feel about it. We will, of course, have no person present throughout the Exposition once the cases and other material are put in place in the space allotted to us. For that reason I should like to have you consider carefully the risk you run and hasten to assure you that I regret we cannot take over the insuring of the exhibit.

Would you be willing to place an estimate on the value of the collection and inquire as to the cost of insuring to cover the risk of transportation and its public display throughout the period of the San Diego Exposition?

I hope some plan satisfactory to you can be worked out in order that we may have the collection for I can think of no feature more interesting to the public than a display of this kind.

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Should you see fit to lend the collection, packing and transportation charges could be included in the cost of sending other exhibits from the Mint.

It will give me pleasure to have a legend displayed with the collection to the effect that it has been lent to the Government by you.

Very truly yours,

Adelia Taylor Pozo

Director of the Mint.

I hope that it is clear to you that the government may not insure your collection but you the owner could do it. It may be that the cost would be negligible. Would you like to inquire into it & should it much like to use it. Thank you again for your generosity in offering it to us.

W. V. R.

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May 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please instruct Mr. Sinnock to advise this Bureau as soon as possible of the weight and dimensions of the cases to be used in sending the exhibits to San Diego. Shipping instructions will be sent to him. His letter describing the exhibit was received this morning and was very satisfactory to the Chief Clerk.

We have estimated that our costs will not exceed $2,000 and I hope this sum will be sufficient to cover the expense of this Exposition when you take into consideration the fact that we are not to have anyone there permanently.

Very truly yours,

Ellen Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 22nd, you are authorized to purchase from the Corundite Refractories, Inc., the following refractory materials which are to be used in your melting furnaces:

3000 pounds fire clay,
12 fire bricks, letter U,
25 sets fire bricks, letter F,
100 fire bricks, letter B,
25 " " " E,
50 " " " D ,

all to be made of high grade clay containing approximately 72% aluminum oxide.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

May twenty-fourth
Rotel/authorized to accept additional two hundred thousand pounds bronze blanks from Scovill Manufacturing Company which right was reserved when purchase of one hundred thousand pounds was authorized and covered by proposal of Scovill Manufacturing Company accepted May eighteenth STOP Cost thirty seven and three quarter cents per pound.

Nellie Taylor Ross

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director.

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May 24, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone conversation of this morning advising you that the Second Export-Import Bank of Washington has just notified the Bureau that the express company's agreement with Cuba for the shipment of Cuban coin provides for shipments not in excess of one million pieces. It will, therefore, be necessary to limit the shipment next Tuesday to one million pieces.

The voucher forwarded in your letter of the 23rd is returned with the request that it be altered according to this agreement, covering only one million pieces. The voucher has been sent airmail.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

No oaths of office or personal history statements have as yet been received from you to cover the recent appointments on your emergency roll. Please transmit these papers without delay.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated May 4, 13 and 17, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

John Taylor Rose

Director of the Mint.

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Encls.

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May 25, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

It is requested that in future a grand recapitulation, in duplicate, of the bullion abstract be forwarded each month, carrying thereon the exact figures, that have their source in the abstract, shown on the bullion account current with the bullion abstract subtotals or totals that make up such figures. Such a recapitulation will make less confusing possible future reference to the details making up account current figures.

A tentative sample of such a grand recapitulation is enclosed for guidance. This sample contains certain items that are effective at some of our institutions but not at others, and it is contemplated that only pertinent items be shown, while if other items occur they will be added, rather than that the sample be strictly adhered to. One copy of the grand recapitulation will accompany the accounts to the General Accounting Office, and a copy is desired for the Bureau's files.

Yours truly,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

GRAND RECAP - SAMPLE

	GOLD		SILVER	
	Fine ounces	Value	Fine ounces	Value
Gold deposits received @ $35.00				
Regular abstract sheets				
Special " " (if any)				
In silver for bar repayts.				
In silver, nationalized				
Total to a/c current				
L.W. coin rec'd as bul., U. S.				
" " " " " " For'n				
" " " surplus				
Recov'd from dep. oper., D.M.R.				
Gold deposits received @ $20.67+				
Increment thereon to $35.00				
Nationalized silver deposits				
Regular abstract sheets				
Special " " N				
" " " NA				
In gold deps. rec'd @ $20.67				
Total to a/c current				
Silver rec'd at market rates				
Regular abstract sheets				
Special " " (if any)				
Total to a/c current				
For repay't in bars				
Recov'd from dep. oper. - D.M.R.				
E.P. Silver - Newly mined dom.				
Special abs. sheets - @ $0.6464+				
Do - @ 0.7111+				
Do - @ 0.7757+				

Please place on an abstract sheet form.

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May 25, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

An inquiry has been received from a Member of Congress as to whether or not the Haile Mine, Kershaw, South Carolina, is shipping gold to your Mint directly. This inquiry covers, of course, only recent months - perhaps a year.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter which is self-explanatory. Are you using both types of tags on the Mexican bags? If you are, with the return of this letter and the tags, we will order from here for the Mexican coinage at Denver.

Will you also find out for me what stencilling is necessary in order to make appropriate reply to the second paragraph of this letter.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

May 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of The Midvale Company to supply your Mint with 2,000 pounds each of die steel, sizes 1-5/8" and 1-7/8".

It is understood that the aggregate price as per quotation of each of the first three bidders, is $784.66 while that of the last bidder is $786.85. Of the three firms bidding the same price, the only one that has any stock on hand is The Midvale Company, which has all of the 1-7/8" size needed at once in the manufacture of dies for the Mexican coinage, delivery of the other size to be in ten days. The other two firms are not able to make such advantageous deliveries.

In view of the deliveries promised and the urgent need of the steel, authority is given to make the purchase from the Midvale Company since their price is as low as any and they can make immediate delivery of one size, of which you are in most urgent need.

Very truly yours,

W. H. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 24, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your stationery requisition on Form 2163, of April, last, on which are listed the following items:

Bellow Files (Numbered from 1 to 30) Preferred - 5 Ea.
Cooks File Signals (Red) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 10 Boxes.
Cooks File Signals (White) - - - - - - - - - - - - - 5 "

The Procurement Division has returned our requisition with a note attached thereon which reads as follows:

"Kindly indicate the item and subitem for Cooks signals or furnish samples to show size and construction. Also, furnish item for bellows files or give more detailed information as to size, material, etc."

By return mail please furnish this Bureau with the desired information and send samples of the articles desired, if possible. The bellowsfiles are listed in the General Schedule of Supplies under item 53-F-1900, and the Cooks file signals are listed under item 53-T-200.

Yours truly,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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May 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Under date of May 22nd you forwarded to this office, in reply to Bureau letter of May 21st, your copies of vouchers in favor of Messrs. Steele and L. E. Brown, in connection with exceptions of the General Accounting Office. Voucher No. 406 in favor of the Comptroller of the Currency, J. F. T. O'Connor, was not forwarded, although requested. Will you please forward copy of voucher in favor of Mr. O'Connor, as it is needed in connection with clearing of the exception.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

May 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Pages 4 and 5 of Mr. Raff's bullion account current for the period April 1 - 8, 1935, have been amended in this office, as to their footings of ounces on the credit side, which total to 10,-259.180 more than typed thereon. Apparently the nickel metal wasted was deducted from instead of being added to, the originally submitted figures.

Yours truly,

A. N. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P-F-S

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May 28, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

The plans for the new vault will be completed tomorrow and the specifications are being prepared STOP It is expected that this project will be advertised before June first.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.
OR

May 28, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

San Francisco Mint inquiring when they may expect balance of order of three hundred pairs asbestos mitts STOP Unless some are received by June fourth they will have to purchase supply in local market STOP Please wire Bureau

O'Reilly, Acting Director.
OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the agreement made with the Mexican Government to execute sixty million fifty-centavo pieces, you are authorized to proceed with this coinage in accordance with the terms embodied in your letter of May 1st for eighty million pieces, which was afterward changed to sixty million pieces.

It is understood that part of this coinage is to be made in the Mint at San Francisco and part in the Mint at Denver. A tentative assignment has been made to each of the Mints as follows: Philadelphia, 1,750,000 pieces; Denver, 1,562,500 pieces; San Francisco, 1,875,000 pieces. It may be that it will later be found that the respective Mints can do more or less than the above amounts but this phase of the order can be adjusted as we go along.

It is understood that the charge for this coinage will be $8.00 per thousand pieces. This charge includes the cost of working dies. It is also understood that the metal for this coinage will be supplied by the Government of Mexico and that payment will be made upon delivery of the coins over the counter at your Mint.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please advise the Bureau how many of the following commemorative coins have been issued so far:

Maryland Half Dollar,
Texas Half Dollar,
Daniel Boone Half Dollar,
Connecticut Half Dollar.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Neal

Acting Director of the Mint.

CMB/sb

May 29, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

You are authorized to purchase from the Thomas Brothers Company, approximately 8,000 pounds of pulverized oak charcoal, at the rate of $0.026 per pound, less 2% ten days.

It is understood that this is the lower of two bids received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

W. M. Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

CRR

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May 29, 1955.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

You are authorized to purchase approximately 5,000 yards of olive drab twill, 36" wide, from Olson & French, Inc., at the rate of $0.1447 per yard net; this being the lowest of three prices received from two bidders out of five asked.

Release for the purchase of these goods has already been granted by the department of Justice.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

O'R/H

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

May 29, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In future, when depositing minor coinage profits with disbursing officers for the purpose of meeting minor coinage distribution expenses, will you please have such fact indicated on the cashier's daily statements, instead of showing them the same as the remaining profits as was done on cashier's daily statements of May 13, 14 and 15, 1935.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 31, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

The usual contracts, for the fiscal year 1936, should be negotiated, covering all services of a continuing nature, including gas, telephone, vault protection where already installed, laundry service, etc., also for such supplies as in your opinion the Government's interests warrant being contracted for on a fiscal year basis. It may be that for some supplies it will be in the Government's interest to make contracts for shorter periods, such as for three or six months, and if so such procedure should be used.

Contract forms are being forwarded under separate cover for some of the services. For other services and supplies the usual proposal form and letter of acceptance should be used as evidencing the agreement.

As heretofore the proposals and acceptances - all copies - should be forwarded for the Bureau's consideration and approval before becoming effective.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

MAY 31, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

L. G. MARSHALL OF NEW MEXICO SECURED FOR POSITION JUNIOR ASSAYER YOUR INSTITUTION STOP WILL REPORT FOR DUTY BETWEEN JUNE FIFTH AND TENTH STOP PLEASE FORWARD FORMAL RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT AND WHEN HE REPORTS FOR DUTY SECURE FORMAL APPLICATION.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

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May 31, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

The usual contracts, for the fiscal year 1936, should be negotiated, covering all services of a continuing nature, including gas, telephone, vault protection where already installed, laundry service, etc., also for such supplies as in your opinion the Government's interests warrant being contracted for on a fiscal year basis. It may be that for some supplies it will be in the Government's interest to make contracts for shorter periods, such as for three or six months, and if so such procedure should be used.

Contract forms are being forwarded under separate cover for some of the services. For other services and supplies the usual proposal form and letter of acceptance should be used as evidencing the agreement.

As heretofore the proposals and acceptances - all copies - should be forwarded for the Bureau's consideration and approval before becoming effective.

There is enclosed for your consideration in connection with the matter of new contracts, a copy of Department's circular dated May 21, 1935, signed by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

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May 31, 1935

Government Facilities

Mr. Edwin Dressel,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penn.

I am amazed to receive from the Secret Service adverse reports on several guards STOP Guards must not only meet physical qualifications I have specified but have clean records STOP It is possible that one man out of the eight reported on might have been falsely accused but not so many in one group.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director.

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June 1, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please send to San Francisco ten pairs Mexican fifty centavo dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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June 1, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter received from the Philadelphia Mint describing the manner in which payment for coinage, and other charges, will be made at each of our Mints and the receipts required by the Mexican Government. Mr. Monteros says he would like similar arrangements made at Denver and San Francisco.

For your guidance I am inclosing copies of our Mint Form 146, together with a form letter used, to be certified to by the representative of the Mexican Government in your city who, it is understood, is the Mexican Consul, and also a form used by the Express Company.

These forms are being sent to you for appropriate application at your Mint.

Very truly yours,

Wm. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

June 3, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

If it can be arranged to have San Francisco and Denver Mints transfer to you fifteen thousand dollars each regarding minor coinage fund when will you be able to repay same STOP This information is desired before wiring San Francisco and Denver regarding these transfers.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

June 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

It is requested that you forward to this office at once all correspondence which you may have in your files, from other Government Departments or other branches of the Treasury Department, concerning past service rendered in those Departments or branches of the Treasury Department by employees of your institution and retirement deductions made from their salaries while rendering such service. This correspondence may be on Standard Form No. 13, "Abstract of Official Record of U. S. Government Employee", or may be on Civil Service Commission Card Form 2806, "Retirement Record Card", certified by the Department or Departments in which service was rendered.

It is important that this office be furnished with the originals of such correspondence; not copies. In my opinion it is not necessary that copies of such correspondence be retained in your files. In any case, however, time should not be taken now to make copies. If necessary they can be made after the originals have been received in this office and compared with our card records.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

M

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June 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing two Mexican fifty-centavo pieces received from the United States Mint at San Francisco. Will you please submit them to the Mexican representative and return them to this Bureau for transmission to San Francisco with any comments it is deemed appropriate to make.

Our letter of May 28th, instructing San Francisco to send one coin from every twenty thousand pieces to your Mint for inspection by the Mexican representative, crossed this letter in the mail. It is, therefore, understood that in future San Francisco will send specimens after your Mint has inspected pieces to Washington.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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June 4, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

You are authorized to accept the proposal of the Riverside Metal Company to furnish your Mint with one hundred thousand pounds of bronze blanks at thirty seven point thirty eight cents per pound with option on two hundred thousand pounds at same rate this being the lowest of two bids received.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

OR

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June 5, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Compare emergency encumbrances second half of May and total payments for year with figures for first half of May stop Wire confirmation of your figures for second half.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director
OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 3rd, you are authorized to purchase 8 lengths of brass pipe, 4" diameter, with the necessary fittings, to renew the drain pipe from your acid laboratory on the third floor to the sewer, from Crane Company at a total of $270.01, less 2% ten days; this being the lowest of three bids received.

It is understood that it is necessary to renew the pipe because it is beginning to leak into the machine shop and might spoil some of the equipment.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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June 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The plaster model of the design for the fifty-cent piece for the City of Hudson has been submitted to the Secretary and the design approved by him.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of the master die and the working dies for the execution of this coinage. It is understood that you are to collect $200.00 to cover the cost of preparing the master die.

Of course, no coinage will be executed until a formal request is received from the duly authorized agent. The Bureau has requested the Mayor of Hudson to advise us as to the identity of the agent to place the orders for the coins and to make payment for them

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your statement of retirement deductions for the fiscal year 1934 which accompanied your letter of August 3, 1934.

On page 2 of this statement you show the gross deductions from the salary of Thomas F. Farren as $50.33. At the foot of page 5 of the statement appears the following notation: "Overdeposited a/c Thos F. Farren, Sept. 1933 -.07 Kindly adjust through General Accounting Office. Have reduced Thomas F. Farren's card accordingly.

The payrolls on file in this office show that Mr. Farren earned the amount of $60.00, from which 3½%, or $2.10, was deducted, during each of the 24 semi-monthly pay periods in the fiscal year 1934. This made a total of deductions for the year of $50.40. It does not appear that Mr. Farren was on leave without pay at any time during September 1933 or during the fiscal year 1934. We are, therefore, at loss to understand how there has been an overdeposit in Mr. Farren's case or why the amount of $50.40 is not the correct one.

In order that the retirement accounts in this office may be properly balanced, will you please submit an explanation of this matter at your early convenience.

Respectfully,

N. M. Reed

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 5th, you are authorized to purchase from the Vesuvius Crucible Company 300 graphite dipping cups #5 regular and the same number of #5 cups with strainer, at a cost of 65¢ each on the regular cups and 75¢ each on the ones with strainer, all prices less 1% ten days.

It is understood that all bids were equal but that since the time of deliveries given in all of the bids, except that of the Vesuvius Crucible Company, vary from three to six weeks, which is longer than your present stock will hold out, the Vesuvius Crucible Company is recommended as they have 24 of the regular cups and all of the ones with strainers on hand; and promise delivery of the balance in 28 days.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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June 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Please execute in duplicate the inclosed form "Certificate by Disbursing Officer, Mint Service" and return to the Bureau as promptly as possible.

Very truly yours,

M. D. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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June 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed please find express voucher and notice of exception.

Please return at your earliest possible convenience, giving the information requested thereon.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mm

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June 6, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Today in receipt of telegram from Denver requesting fifty pairs fifty-centavo dies and asking to have partial shipment made as soon as convenient.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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June 7, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept proposal American Smelting Refining Company to furnish one hundred thousand pounds copper at decimal nine two naught per pound this being the only bid received complying with requirements.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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June 8, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Copy of message to Denver Mint follows STOP Please conform STOP Quote transfer Monday June tenth to Philadelphia Mint from your silver coinage bullion account seven hundred thousand fine ounces silver value three hundred and fifty one thousand four hundred dollars STOP Simultaneously transfer from Philadelphia Mint seven hundred thousand fine ounces silver without value and take into an account in the name of the Government of Mexico STOP These are book transfers so do not ship the silver STOP Philadelphia mint will make contra transfers June tenth STOP Report to the Treasurer of United States the silver coinage transfer but not the other one STOP Mexican coinage and proceed.

M. H. O'SHEILY
Acting Director

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June 8, 1935

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, California.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Please wire at close of business each Friday report giving number of Mexican coins made and number shipped each week.

M. M. O'REILLY
Acting Director.

June 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the Secretary of the Treasury has approved your recommendation that John J. McGurr, Skilled Workman at $6.32 per diem on the regular roll of your institution, be suspended without pay for a period of fifteen days, commencing May 20, 1935, because of intoxication.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the Secretary of the Treasury has approved the suspension of John J. May, Skilled Workman at $6.32 per diem on the regular roll of your institution, without pay, for an indefinite period, effective at the close of business May 10, 1935.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

June 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the Secretary of the Treasury has approved the transfer of the following-named employees from the position of Guard at $1200 per annum, on the emergency roll of your institution, and their appointment, effective as of date of oath, to the position of Helper at $5.00 per diem, compensation to remain payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", and the appointments to be effective for such period of time as the employees' services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935:

John E. Hess
William T. Kelly
Edward A. Maguire

Respectfully,

M. R. Kelly

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the resignations of the following-named employees from the indicated positions on the emergency roll of your institution have been accepted without prejudice, effective in each case at the time indicated:

John D. Bradley	Helper	$5.00 p. d.	4-30-35	(noon)
Abraham Cohen	do	5.00 p. d.	5- 6-35	(close of business)
Charles M. Cooper	do	5.00 p. d.	5- 1-35	" " "
John Hogan, Jr.	do	5.00 p. d.	4-29-35	" " "
Frank Monaghan	do	5.00 p. d.	5- 3-35	" " "
Edward C. Murphy	do	5.00 p. d.	5-15-35	" " "
Julius J. Winkler	do	5.00 p. d.	5- 6-35	" " "
Charles H. Councell	Counter	4.00 p. d.	5-22-35	" " "

Respectfully,

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 10, 1955.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a check for $1.50 to cover the cost of the Jacob Jones medal forwarded by you on June 7th. The person for whom this medal was intended is very appreciative of the promptness with which the medal was sent.

I hope it will not inconvenience you to receive this check in payment.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to our letter of May 25th, stating that we have received an inquiry from a Member of Congress as to whether or not the Haile Mine, Kershaw, S. C., is shipping gold to your Mint directly.

Will you please advise the Bureau whether or not you have been able to trace such deposits.

Very truly yours,

W. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 12, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to Denver Mint fifty centavo dies according to following request quote Please forward forty pairs fifty centavo dies in addition to the fifty pairs requested by massage June sixth STOP As dies do not last long we should receive at least twelve pairs each week to continue present rate of coinage and should have twelve pairs by seventeenth instant end quote

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

June 12, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Confirming telephone conversation June twelfth
/Authorized to purchase three thousand pounds cyanide from Mallincott Chemical Works at cost of sixteen and one-half cents per pound less one per cent ten days lowest of three bids asked

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

June 14, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Credit given disbursing officer today for funds under appropriation Salaries and Expenses Mints and Assay Offices.

N. T. R.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 15, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Denver Mint wires as follows quote Please refer to my letter May thirteenth requesting two hundred pairs canvas mitts two hundred pairs asbestos mitts seventy five pairs heavy white duck sleeves seventy five asbestos sleeves and one hundred heavy white duck aprons STOP Of these order Philadelphia Mint shipped on sixth instant ten pairs asbestos mitts and thirty canvas aprons STOP All articles requested are urgently needed particularly canvas mitts if Philadelphia cannot make immediate delivery request authority to obtain local bids please advise soon as possible end quote Please advise Bureau.

N.T.R.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your accounts for the month of April

Assay reports numbered 206, 755 and 800 are returned for certification by the Assayer.

Statement and certificate of award pertaining to voucher 3-8911, Tolhurst Machine Works, is enclosed for completion by entering the missing reference marks.

Voucher No. 3-8185, in favor of the Postmaster for shipment of coin, includes a shipment of $20,000 half dollars on April 4th to Cleveland, charged against Minor Coinage Profits, $44.20, instead of to the appropriation Contingent Expenses, Public Moneys. Adjustment will be left to the Disbursing Office or the General Accounting Office.

The bullion account current of Mr. Dressel, for April 8 - 30, has been amended in the Bureau to include in the account of newly mined domestic silver the item of $415,900 silver in lieu of advances thereon, received from Mr. Raff, and its substitution by regular deposits, with corresponding increases in column totals.

Attention is invited to the account "Coin for Recoinage." According to the report of the transfer settlement committee there was no silver coin carried in this account at transfer; April silver coin receipts are stated as $1,073,107.45, with bullion resulting from melting the coin $981,234.87 and reimbursable loss $91,877.16, total disposition $1,072,112.03, giving excess disposition of $4.58, an anomalous condition. Evidently corrective action is needed.

Immediate reply is requested.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

P-F-S
Encls.

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June 18, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco Mint as soon as possible fifty piston springs for automatic scales.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

Jun 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is today in receipt of a letter from the State Department, through the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury, accepting the terms embodied in your letter of May 23, 1935, relative to the cost of preparing two million one-centavo pieces for the Government of Honduras.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the coinage as promptly as possible.

I am inclosing a copy of the letter received from the Minister of Honduras through the State Department.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 17th, you are authorized to purchase 25 No. 50 crucibles at $5.00 each and 50 No. 20 crucibles at $2.60 each, less 1% ten days, from the Joseph Dixon Crucible Company.

It is understood that five bids were received and, all being identical, lots were drawn and the award made to the above concern.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 20, 1935

Superintendent
United States Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Under date of April 19, 1935, you were advised of the approval of the transfer of Miss Adelaide Hahs from the position of Clerk at $1980 per annum, on the regular roll of your institution, to the position of Senior Clerk (CAF-5) at $2000 per annum, also on the regular roll, effective as of date of oath. Creation of the position of Senior Clerk (CAF-5) was authorized by the President on April 9, 1935, Journal No. 140, Position No. 24108.

As oath of office to cover this transfer has never been received, it is requested that you transmit same without delay.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 19, 1935

Superintendent
U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the temporary appointments of William A. Siner as Melter at $6.56 per diem, and Sarah J. Daugherty as Sewing Woman at $4.96 per diem, each on the regular roll of your institution, have been approved, effective as of date of oath for a period not to exceed 90 days pending probational appointment.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

June 19, 1935

Superintendent
U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the separations of the following named employees of your institution have been approved, effective on the dates indicated, and for the reasons shown:

Anna McCaughan, Counter @ $4.00 per diem, 5-16-35, for the good of the service;

Andrew J. Nelson, Machinist, @ $6.32 per diem, 5-10-35, criminal record;

Thomas H. Robinson, Guard @ $12.00 per diem, 5-20-35, for the good of the service;

Frank J. Sevick, Counter @ $4.00 per diem, 5-10-35, inefficiency;

Daniel Sisco, Elevator Operator @ $1080.00 per annum, 5-21-35, criminal record.

Your recommendation in the cases of Anna McCaughan and Thomas H. Robinson gives only as the reason for separation "for the good of the service". Although these recommendations have been approved, It is requested that in the future specific reason be given when recommending separations. I do not intend this request to indicate any lack of confidence in your judgment as to the suitability of these persons for further employment. However it is necessary that this office keep the official records of all employees or former employees of the Mint institutions and that this office be able to furnish complete information regarding service of such employees at any time. It is therefore sometimes necessary that the correct reasons for separation be available in order that proper information may be given by this office.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is forwarded to you today under separate cover by insured parcel post the following:

Standard silver scrap ----------	200.00 ounces
1 fine silver bar ----------	85.56 "
1 " " " ----------	41.80 "

Of this metal 236.1211 standard ounces should be credited to the standard silver dollar and subsidiary accounts as follows:

Standard silver dollars -	92.8125 oz.	- value	$108.00
Subsidiary -	143.3086 "	- "	178.30
	236.1211 "		

The following accounts should be credited to San Francisco, Denver and Philadelphia respectively, being the values resulting from special assay coins forwarded to the Bureau up to and including March 31, 1935.

	San Francisco	Denver	Philadelphia.
S. S. Dollars	$72.00	$18.00	$18.00
Subsidiary	28.00	49.50	100.80

Please notify the Mints at Denver and San Francisco when these entries have been completed and after deducting the 32.509 fine ounces (equivalent of 36.1211 standard ounces due with the 200 ounces returned) from the silver contained in the bars, return the surplus in equal quantities of 200 and 300 mg. inquartation discs.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Q/Z

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 20, 1935

Superintendent
United States Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Application for Annuity submitted by Miss Mary Hyland. In her statement of Government service appearing on page 2 of the form, as well as in your statement appearing on page 3, service is shown in the Philadelphia Mint at $2.50 per diem from October 25, 1916, to April 26, 1917, inclusive. Retirement Record Card on file in this office shows that Miss Hyland served under temporary appointment at $2.50 per diem from October 25, 1916, to April 25, 1917, and under a second temporary appointment from April 26, 1917, to November 8, 1917, when she resigned. Please verify this service from your records.

Miss Hyland shows her service in the Quartermaster Depot, Philadelphia, in part as follows:

9-18-18 to 11-14-18,	$1000	per	annum
11-15-18 to 7-20-20,	1200	"	"
7-21-20 to 2-28-22,	1000	"	"

This service is shown on Abstract of Service Record received in this office as follows:

9-18-18 to 11-14-18,	$720	per	annum
11-15-18 to 7-20-20,	1000	"	"
7-21-20 to 6-30-21,	1200	"	"
7-1-21 to 2-28-22,	1000	"	"

The Application for Annuity is returned herewith in order that proper corrections may be made by Miss Hyland.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

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June 20, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office show that Richard A. Robinson, an employee on the regular roll of your institution, died on April 17, 1935. In order that this office may certify the retirement deductions to his credit for payment, please advise at once as to the deductions for the fiscal year 1935.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 20, 1935

Superintendent
United States Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that appointments of the following named persons have been approved for emergency work in the indicated positions in the silver and gold unit of your institution, effective in each case as of date of oath with compensation at the rate shown, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency, Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935:

John P. Lepping, Jr.	Helper	$ 5.00	per	diem
Joseph H. Klotz	Counter	4.00	"	"
Grace Grasso	Sewing Woman	4.00	"	"

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 21, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Confirming telephone conversation today with Bureau San Francisco requests twenty pairs fifty centavo dies.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

June 21, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

San Francisco today requests that you send three hubs for Mexican coinage.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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June 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of June 21st, wherein you report total domestic gold coin receipts of $40,801,842.67 which includes light weight and uncurrent, for the months of January, February and May, not heretofore reported. According to our records you reported domestic gold coin receipts from January, 1934 to December 7th, 1934, in the amount of $339,946,110.04. Subsequently, since December 7th, 1934, a total of $21,908,572.98 has been reported, giving total receipts to June 14th, of $361,854,683.02. It is presumed that the amount quoted above in your wire of June 21st, is in addition to total receipts shown above, and will be so shown in the weekly statement prepared by this Bureau for the Secretary's Office each Saturday.

If this is incorrect, please send a statement of domestic gold coin receipts from January, 1934 to December 7th, 1934, and weekly thereafter to June 14th, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

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June 21, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that appointments of the following named persons have been approved for emergency work in the positions indicated in the silver and gold unit of your institution effective in each case as of date of oath with compensation at the rates shown, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935:

L. G. Marshall	Jr. Assayer	$6.50 per diem
Patrick J. McLain	Helper	5.00 " "
R. H. Owen	Helper	5.00 " "
Arthur R. Snoyer	Helper	5.00 " "
Alphonso Villano	Elevator Operator	1080.00 per annum

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 24, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the appointments recommended in the attached copy of letter from your office have been approved, effective in each case as of date of oath, with compensation at the rates shown, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1934 and 1935", for such period of time as their services may be required on such work, and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 25, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Following telegram received from San Francisco today quote Please have Philadelphia send us as soon as possible six new hubs STOP Rush part shipment our dies Mexican coinage end quote STOP Presumed by this Bureau six new hubs are for Mexican coinage.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

R.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 25, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Recent General Accounting Office exceptions have been received in which the "date of appointment" is required in the cases of new employees or old employees in new positions. This refers to the date of approval of appointment by the Secretary of the Treasury which has not heretofore been furnished you.

You will be advised of this date in the future at the time you are notified of the approval. Please enter this date in the "remarks" column of the first payroll on which an employee's name appears in a new position, together with the date of oath and date of entrance on duty.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

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June 25, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In the course of audit of retirement accounts in this office, it has been discovered that excess deductions were made from the compensations of Edward F. Gallagher, Dwight H. Zollers, and Chester N. Steever during the time these employees were detailed to duty at the World Fair at Chicago. During this period 3½ % of the total amount earned by these employees including pay for Sundays was deducted. Deductions should have been made, of course, from the basic compensation exclusive of overtime (Sunday) pay.

Request will be made on the Civil Service Commission to have the excess deductions refunded to these employees from the Civil Service Retirement Fund. As the regulations require that refund be mailed to the home address of the party concerned, will you please advise this office as to the home addresses of these men in order that these may be mentioned in the letters of the Civil Service Commission.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 24th, you are authorized to purchase 500 pounds of hemp twine, on reels of many ends, from the J. E. Fricke Company, at the rate of 31¢ per pound, this being the lowest of three bids received.

It is understood that the D. L. Ward Company also submitted an alternate bid of 20½¢ per pound. The sample they submitted was tried in actual use and broke two times out of three trials. You state that as this twine is used for tying small coin bags a poor grade could not be considered.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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June 26, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

This will confirm telephone communication authorizing you to accept proposal Nathan Trotter to supply one hundred thousand pounds copper at decimal naught nine naught nine this being the lowest of bids received on acceptable copper.

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director.

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June 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter received from Mr. A. D. Sartwell, the Treasurer of the F. E. U. Local 262 Credit Union, in regard to the indebtedness of Edward A. Biggins.

As you are aware, we are not in position to undertake to coerce Mr. Biggins in regard to his personal affairs. However, I feel that it is disturbing to have in the Mint Service one who obviously finds it so difficult to meet such indebtedness. May I ask that you call Mr. Biggins' attention to this situation.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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June 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of June 25th concerning nonreceipt by you of forms ordered in your April requisition please be advised that we have placed orders with the Division of Printing, early in May, for delivery of the forms to you. The forms bearing the name of your institution and those used exclusively by you have to be printed, therefore it requires considerable time to accomplish the printing of the forms. However, we are endeavoring to have the forms delivered to you as soon as possible. Forms C. A. 1, C. A. 2, and C. A. 17, of the U. S. Employees' Compensation Commission, also form 1 of the Civil Service Commission (Application for Position), and Mint Form 8830, were mailed to you from the Bureau some three weeks ago, therefore we cannot understand why you did not receive these forms. Will you please check up and advise us.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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June 28, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

All payroll data needed soon as available stop Please mail all payrolls or duplicates soon as practicable after their completion following June thirtieth.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director

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June 27, 1935.

Mr. Edwin Dressel,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Dressel:

While working under pressure, guard drill, I realize, causes interruption of progress. However, it is so important that guards be drilled to meet emergencies that I request that drills be regularly held, and that minute instructions be given for a careful check-up to see that each man does his duty.

Yours sincerely,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

R:W

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing correspondence received from the State Department relative to Chinese coinage dies. With the return of the inclosures please advise this Bureau of the charges to be imposed for this work and the approximate amount of time required to complete the work.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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June 28, 1935.

Hon. Francisco Valdes,
c/o Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Valdes:

Reference is made to your letter of June 27th, relative to specimens of coins made at the Mint in San Francisco which were forwarded to you at the Philadelphia Mint for inspection.

Upon receipt of a telephone communication from the Acting Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco was wired to discontinue the Mexican coinage until the Coiner of the Mint at San Francisco could reach Philadelphia for instructions. The Superintendent at San Francisco was advised that while the undelivered coins on hand were being held, the shipment delivered by the Coiner on the 27th of June had already been delivered to the Grace Line before the wire was received concerning the defects in the coins.

It is hoped that on the arrival of the Coiner of the San Francisco Mint at Philadelphia, instructions can be given him which will eliminate the difficulties now being encountered by the operative officers of the Mint at San Francisco. I have also decided to have an expert mechanic of the Philadelphia Mint accompany Mr. Steel to San Francisco upon his return there.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

JUNE 29, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. MINT, PHILADELPHIA, PA.
SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK, N. Y.
SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. MINT, DENVER, COLO.
SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. Mint, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
ASSAYER IN CHARGE, U. S. MINT, NEW ORLEANS, LA.
ASSAYER IN CHARGE, U. S. ASSAY OFFICE, SEATTLE, WASH.

AUTHORIZED TO CONTINUE EMERGENCY EMPLOYEES INTO FISCAL YEAR NINETEEN THIRTY-SIX STOP NO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONTINUANCE OR NEW OATHS WILL BE REQUIRED STOP FORMAL NOTICE BY MAIL WILL FOLLOW.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
DIRECTOR

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June 29, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to purchase Allen Wales adding machine model forty at cost of two hundred twelve dollars fifty cents STOP Twelve and one quarter inch movable carriage at twenty one dollars twenty five cents STOP Electric drive for Allen Wales heavy duty model at seventy four dollars twenty five cents total three hundred eight dollars STOP It is understood that this purchase is being made under the terms of the General Supply Schedule.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 28, 1935.

Superintendent
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to your letter of June 22nd, in which you reported domestic gold coin receipts as of June 1934, to December 7, 1934. According to our records the figure $339,946,110.04 is from January 31, 1934 to December 7, 1934.

The figure reported in your wire of June 21st, of $40,801,842.67 is said to contain the amount of $21,907,295.92 previously reported. [illegible] amount from the $40,801,842.67 gives a total of $18,894,546.75, which does not coincide with the figure of $22,894,586.66 as given in your letter of the above date.

Also refer to the amount reported for the week ending June 14th of $33.34. Your wire of that date reports $33.44.

Kindly check over these items and send us the correct dates and figures at your earliest possible convenience, so as to adjust our records accordingly.

Yours very truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

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June 28, 1935.

Mrs. Mabel P. Blythe,
4824 North 15th Street,
Philadelphia, Penn.

My dear Mrs. Blythe:

You will understand that I must rely upon the Superintendent at the Philadelphia Mint for guidance in making appointments to his staff. He knows his needs, and the relative merits of applicants better than I do at this distance.

I must say to you again, therefore, that the recommendation must come from the Superintendent before you can secure employment there.

Yours sincerely,

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

R:W

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

June 28, 1935.

Mr. Edwin Dressel,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Dressel:

Will you please give consideration to the statement made in the first paragraph of Secret Service report of June 7th. I had, many weeks ago, given instructions that the outside door was to be kept locked at all times except when employees or visitors were being admitted, and therefore I am surprised at the statement that indicates this instruction is not being followed.

I also ask you to give consideration to the statement regarding passes being given for packages to be taken out, without any person in authority knowing what is in the package. Will you please send me your comments upon this.

Also comment to me upon the statement that employees dress in the metal room down by the vaults, and the assertion in the report that "They generally drift in alone and if they are not honest, are given a fine opportunity to help themselves to whatever they wish. As a rule there is considerable of value lying around this room; material of a nature that could be easily removed in a coat or trouser pocket."

I should like to know what kind of values lie around loose, in any part of the Mint that could be used as a dressing room.

Yours sincerely,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

R:W

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June 29, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Emergency appropriation for fiscal year nineteen thirty six not yet acted upon by Congress stop Do not create obligations against it by issue of usual documents until further advised nor make any payments for emergency obligations created after June thirtieth stop You may pay after June thirtieth for obligations created before that date comma from funds now standing to your credit stop Continue present employees and activities stop Emergency funds for paying obligations created after June thirtieth will be advanced you after Congress has enacted the appropriation.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director

including oaths of office to
either authorized new employees
or for changed positions

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July 1, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated May 29 and June 12 and 27, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 2, 1935.

Mr. George Thomas,
2632 S. Lloyd Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date. In response to your inquiry, I take pleasure in forwarding to you a copy of the circular entitled "Coinage Operations" which is the only publication of this kind issued by the Bureau.

I regret that we have not more extensive information to place at your disposal.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Duelle

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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July 9 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward ten pairs half dollar dies and six half dollar collars to San Francisco.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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July 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Attention is invited to the following abstract of a ruling by the Comptroller General, relative to bids for supplies, etc., and N. R. A. codes.

"Bids submitted in answer to advertised specifications stipulating code compliance opened after May 27, 1935, date of United States Supreme Court decision holding unconstitutional the provisions of the National Industrial Recovery Act of June 16, 1933, 48 Stat. 196, relative to codes and code compliance, should be rejected and there should be re-advertisement on the basis of specifications eliminating such requirement."

In view of the above, your tentative contracts for the fiscal year 1936, namely, T2m-282, for laundering towels; T2m-283, for ice; T2m-285 and T2m-286, for compressed gas, are returned without approval, for reconsideration. It should be noted in this connection that notations on proposals, presumably referring to the above mentioned feature, are ineffective in addition to being very indefinite; namely, "Please note attached slip which becomes part of contract."

The contract for telephone service, No. T2m-156, is also returned for elimination of the N. R. A. reference. These contracts should be supported by signed statements on a basis of a communication recently sent you, to the effect that bids be requested on the basis that if further legislation requires observance of minimum wages, etc., any contracts entered into shall be subject to modification to accord therewith, etc.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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July 7, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase 500 pounds of manganese metal, 96-98 per cent pure, for use in minor coinage, from Nathan Trotter & Company, at the rate of 49½ cents per pound less on half of one per cent ten days; this being the only bid received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

O'R:VM

July 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of July 1st please be advised that, according to Bureau records, 500 copies each of forms C.A.1 and C.A.2 were sent you from this office - 200 copies of each form requested in your regular April requisition, 100 copies of each form requested in your special requisition of April 22nd, and 200 copies of each form requested in your requisition of May 9th. 75 copies of form C.A.17 and 100 copies of Civil Service form 1, requested in your regular April requisition, were also sent you from this Bureau. 1,000 copies of Mint Form 8830 were mimeographed in this Bureau and 300 copies were sent you on May 29th and 700 copies about a week later. Herewith please find sample of mimeographed Mint form 8830.

Please have a thorough search made for these forms and advise.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

July 7, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase 2500 pounds of cream of tartar from the Harshaw Chemical Company at the rate of 16½ cents per pound less one per cent ten days. It is understood that proposals were received from three firms and as the first two bids were equal, lots were drawn. Payment is to be made from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936".

Very truly yours,

O'R:VM

Director of the Mint

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July 8, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find two copies each of approved contracts for the fiscal year 1936, as follows:

T2m-279 - The Receiver of Taxes, City of Phila. - Water.
T2m-280 - Chief of Electrical Bureau,
City of Philadelphia - Police signal system.
T2m-281 - The Philadelphia Gas Works Co. - Fuel gas.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encls.

July 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 8th, you are authorized to purchase 31,000 pounds of cathode nickel, electrolytic, for use in minor coinage, from The International Nickel Company, Inc., at the rate of $0.3370 per pound.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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July 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 8th, you are authorized to purchase 1000 yards of #8 cotton duck, 36" wide, from R. A. Humphry's Sons, Inc., at the rate of 34¢ per yard; this being the lowest of three bids received of five asked.

It is understood that the Department of Justice has granted a release for the purchase of this material in the commercial market.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

July 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 8th, you are authorized to purchase 50 dozen pairs of reversible leather mittens (buck) at the rate of $9.80 per dozen pairs; and 50 dozen pairs of horsehide gloves, at the rate of $5.85 per dozen pairs, both from the firm of M. Segal & Sons, the only bid received of three asked.

It is, of course, understood that when these mittens and gloves become worn out, they will be burned up to recover whatever precious metals may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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July 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your report on form 61-A, of deposits and purchases of gold and silver during the six-month period ended December 31, 1934. This report contains an item of 212.768 fine ounces of gold contained in nationalized silver purchased, and 1,801.600 fine ounces of gold imported, at $35 rate. It is requested that these items be reclassified in accordance with the regular classification, that is, distributed to states of production, as old material, or otherwise, and that the Bureau be advised of the results.

As regards the silver reported for the same period, it is noted that the total ounces carried on form 61-A are 611.71 more than shown in the accounts for the same period. Please advise of necessary changes to bring the form 61-A data into agreement with the accounts. In this connection it is noted that the item of Redeposits (purchases) domestic coin, on form 61-A, totals 2,128.48 fine ounces, while report on form 474-A shows 2,164.68 fine ounces. Redistribution on regular lines (as indicated in the preceding paragraph) is also required of the item of 471.11 ounces of silver contained in gold deposits at $35 rate, and presumably the item of 764,306.80 nationalized silver purchased should likewise be further distributed (additionally to the elimination therefrom of 12,569.78 fine ounces allocated to Michigan in conformity with Bureau letter of March 28).

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a photograph of the model for the San Diego commemorative coin, the design of Mr. Robert Aitken. This design has been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. Aitken has been requested to forward his model directly to you. As the committee is very anxious to have this coin placed on sale at the San Diego Exposition it would be appreciated if you will make a special effort to hasten the preparation of the dies.

Very truly yours,

M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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July 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the coinage of one million lempiras in pieces of one lempira each, for the account and by the order of the Government of Honduras.

It is understood that this coinage is to be executed under the terms stated in your letter of June 7th to the effect that the charges for these lempiras would be at the rate of $7.50 per thousand pieces.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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Government Facilities.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Denver wires that as additional Mexican coinage over their seventeen million allotment will not be required of them their present supply of fifty centavo dies will be sufficient to complete their work on Mexican coinage.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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July 10, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Clark, Procurement Division, states contract for window grilles goes to Crown Iron Works STOP Bond furnished by them on July fifth was not accompanied by signed drawings which were part of contract STOP Company has been wired to forward them.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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July 12, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penn.

In confirmation of verbal conversation of July 10th STOP Emergency of a few weeks ago having passed you are instructed to resume normal eight hour operation, dropping temporary employees taken on to make two extra shifts.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director.

July 12, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, US Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, US Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

The necessary appropriation to pay emergency employees has passed the House and there is every reason for confidence that it will pass the Senate within a few days STOP It may be delayed a week or so and payment of salaries will have to wait until you are notified that the emergency fund is available.

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director.

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July 12, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please send to San Francisco fifteen obverse nickel dies and six large and six small collars.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

O.R.

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July 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 11, 1935, requesting authority to purchase graphite articles, as specified.

It appears that the item of 200 skimming cups #1 should be awarded to the Lava Crucible Company, who are the lowest bidders on this item, unless the time of delivery was made a factor in specifications when the bids were invited, and unless available delivery fails to conform with such specified time-factor.

Since the quotations of the five bidders are identical on each of items 1, 3 and 4, No. 20 crucibles, stirrers, and covers for No. 70 crucibles, respectively, it would appear that lots must be cast for determining an award, unless the indicated partial and complete deliveries, as regards any item, will not meet your requirements for placing such items in use. If award is made on these items on other than basis of casting a lot, justification therefor should be stated on the Statement and Certificate of Award pertaining thereto.

The purchase of the articles in question, in the indicated quantities, is authorized.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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July 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

As recommended in your letter of July 10, 1935, you are authorized to purchase an electirc cloth cutting machine with five inch blade, from David Maimin & Company, at a cost of $155.00. While another bid was received at the same low price and a third at a higher price, this award is authorized on your recommendation that the David Maimin Company's machine offers an advantageous factor in that since the machine is to be operated by women it weighs 6½ pounds less than the other, and the lighter machine does equally satisfactory work, per your tests of both machines.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

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Director of the Mint.

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July 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

As recommended in your letter of July 10, 1935, you are authorized to purchase 200 sets of letter "A" fire brick, from the North American Refractories Company, at the rate of $1.26 per set, this being the low price submitted by three of four bidders, and award having been made on the basis of the casting a lot. Please indicate on your Statement and Certificate of Award that award was made on the basis of casting a lot.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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July 12, 1935

Mr. William Gottesman,
2135 North Franklin Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Gottesman:

This is in reply to your letter of June 29, 1935, relative to the incident during your former employment in the Philadelphia Mint when you were overpaid in the amount of $28.00, and concerning your desire to be reinstated in that institution.

I have taken this matter up with the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint, and he states that there is absolutely no prejudice against you because of this incident. Concerning the matter of your reinstatement in that institution, please be advised that it is the policy of this bureau to depend upon the Superintendents of the Mint institutions for the selection of their personnel as the Superintendents are responsible for the efficient performance of duty by such personnel. It would therefore be necessary for recommendation to come from the Superintendent of the Mint before you could be reinstated in that institution.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

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Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, N. Y.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

It has been discovered that in one or two instances new employees in the Mint institutions have entered on duty while on leave from previous Government employment in such manner that pay in the other Government office ceased at a date later than the first day of pay in the Mint institution.

In this connection please be advised that the law does not permit the receipt of two salaries from the Government by any employee for the same period of time if the combined rate of those salaries is in excess of $2000 per annum. You should particularly note that the limitation of $2000 is placed upon the salary rate and not upon the total income for a given year. Except in the case of extremely low paid employees, therefore, it will be necessary for each such employee to refund the entire amount received either from the Mint institution or the Government office in which he was formerly employed for the entire period of dual payment.

As this involves a very serious loss and disappointment for these employees, you are requested to take particular pains when employing persons who have been on the rolls of other Government offices to see that their pay actually ceases in the other office before they enter on duty in your institution. Each such employee should be advised of the law regarding the matter and should be assured of the absolute certainty that the dual payment will eventually be discovered in the course of routine checking of records and that repayment will be required.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

July 13, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This office has received by reference your request of July 2, 1935, addressed to the Service Record and Retirement Division, United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for fifteen copies each of forms 2806, 3001, 3002, 3005, and 3006.

There are enclosed fifteen copies each of forms 2806, 3001, 3002, and 3005. Future requests for these forms should be addressed to this office.

With reference to your request for copies of form 3006, there is enclosed copy of retirement circular number 76 - supplement number 2, copy of which was previously sent you. You will note that the Civil Service Commission declines to furnish supplies of form 3006, as well as forms 3007 and 2806-2, to the Government agencies. These forms should be obtained by the individuals having use for them from the local offices of the Civil Service Commission, one of which is located in your city.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM
Enclosures

July 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please forward form 1026, Foreign Metals Statement, for Venezuelan silver, for the month of May; a balance of 53.04 ounces is noted as of April 30, 1935.

The Foreign Metals Statement for Cuban metal shows collection of charges as $45,500 while the Regional Disbursing Account, and Cashier's Daily Statements support $34,125; should the difference of $11,375 have been stated as due instead of collected?

On future bullion accounts current please separately show in the bullion depositary account amounts of seigniorage transmitted as expense funds to Mr. Allen's Washington office, and to the regional office. In May the amounts respectively were $30,000 and $10,000, which were shown as a single item of $40,000, without indication of separate destinations.

Further information is requested concerning the item in the Cash Account of "Bullion account checks, $262.56" - how they got into the cash account, etc.

Concerning silver deposits received for payment in bars - it is not understood how these can be treated as Nationalized silver, since if an owner is required to surrender his silver to the United States he would hardly be entitled to its return. It would seem that such silver should take the usual market rates.

Assay report No. 2371 was not received with the other papers; please forward same.

Reference is made to voucher in favor of Horace T. Potts Co., your number 1261, disbursing office number 10823, for steel plates at a cost of $160.92, with indication of acceptance of the lowest bid. The proposal accompanying this voucher carries three alternative prices, and the highest one instead of the lowest was accepted. Explanation is requested for attaching to the voucher to justify the action taken.

Voucher in favor of Kali Manufacturing Company, your number 1271, is accompanied by a proposal asking for bids on 15 carboys of acid and also on 15 carboys. The voucher is also accompanied by credit slips for return

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of 31 carboys, the value thereof having been deducted from the cost of the 15 carboys plus their acid contents. The voucher, as rendered, is thus inconsistent with the proposal and acceptance. In inviting future bids on supplies of this character please follow the regular practice of inviting quotations on the acids, leaving to the bidder the question of indicating the accepted commercial practice of charging extra for the carboys and according credit for carboys returned in good condition, at the same price at which charged.

Voucher in favor of John H. McCray, your number 1309, had attached thereto the duplicates of transportation requests used by Mr. McCray. This practice should be discontinued and duplicate transportation requests should be promptly forwarded directly to the Mint Bureau.

Contracts numbered 270 and 273 in favor of the Electro-Dynamic Works and the American Smelting & Refining Company, have been detached from the vouchers, your numbers 1293 and 1298, for separate forwarding to the General Accounting Office, which maintains separate filing of contracts. Please discontinue attaching contracts to vouchers, and forward contracts promptly to this office for transmission to the General Accounting Office.

Contract No. 272 in favor of the Swind Machinery Company cannot be located. There is returned herewith two copies of Bureau's letter of February 12, 1935, also a statement and certificate of award, which papers have been detached from vouchers, your numbers 1254 and 1260. Please forward contract No. 272 promptly to this office. Also please review your contract records, and if other contracts are due for forwarding, please send them along.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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July 13, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is with reference to your inquiry in response to letter of this office of June 25, 1935, as to whether entrance on duty of a new employee or an old employee in a new position prior to the date of approval by the Secretary of the Treasury will be cause for exception by the General Accounting Office.

Please be advised that this would be cause for exception and in view of the fact that the General Accounting Office is now asking that this information be furnished, particular care should be taken in the future to see that such situations do not occur.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint

M:VM

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July 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find, for amendment and return, papers just received from you pertaining to contract No. T2m-272 with the Swind Machinery Company. There are also returned for your files the surplus papers pertaining to this contract.

The Statement and Certificate of Award lacks the signature of the Superintendent; it should also be amended in execution since the lowest bids were not accepted in each instance. Copies of papers giving reasons for recommending acceptances of various items bear no evidences of having been signed by the Superintendent. The proposals should, in each instance, bear the Superintendent's signature to the paragraph " I have satisfied myself, etc.", The "letter attached" relative to the Swind bid for "1 Speed lathe" on proposal dated January 17th is not present, such letters being present for all of the other items.

It is noted that in several instances the descriptions of the desired equipment carry the following wording: "In accordance with attached specifications." These specifications are not present and will not be required unless the General Accounting Office later calls for them.

Early return of the completed contract is requested.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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July 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Please furnish for use in the Laboratory of the Bureau, one hundred pounds of lead foil in the form of 5 gram sheets.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a letter from the State Department, saying that the terms set forth in our letter of recent date covering the cost of Colombian coinage, are accepted.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of this coinage at your earliest convenience. Will you please advise the Bureau upon receipt of this letter as to the approximate date the work on this coinage will be begun and when it will be completed. This information is asked for by the State Department.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the question of silver rate per ounce at which silver deposits received for repayment in bars are valued, attention is invited to the following:

It is understood that the laws authorizing receipt of silver deposits for repayment in bars (R. S. 3518, 3520, 3546) have not been repealed nor superseded by subsequent laws and regulations. It is also understood that silver which may be deposited for return in bars is not required to be surrendered under the Silver Nationalization Proclamation and Regulations. It would therefore appear that the silver in question is not required to be valued at the nationalization price, and it would seem that such silver should be priced in accordance with the practice long in effect of using the current market quotation less the fraction of a cent.

While the matter is of little consequence so far as cost to the Government, of the silver, is concerned, because practically the entire quantity received is returned to the depositor at the same price per ounce at which received, it is preferable that practice be uniform, particularly for statistical purposes, at all Mint Service institutions. The other institutions are using the market rate rather than the nationalized rate for this silver, and it is requested that your practice be brought into line with that of the other mints and assay offices.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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July 18, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Will you please prepare and forward to this Bureau, at an early date, your annual report on operations at your institution during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1935. The report should include the usual statistical data as well as description of any unusual features pertaining to the operations.

Yours truly,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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Government Facilities

Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
" " " " San Francisco, Cal.
" " " " Philadelphia, Pa.
Assayer in Charge " " " New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, United States Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Superintendent, " " " " New York, N. Y.

I assume that you have explained to emergency employees cause of delayed payment of salaries and have expressed our regret STOP Expect any day that necessary appropriation will be made.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director.

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July 19, 1935.

Government Facilities.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today six million fine ounces silver received under Executive Proclamation December twenty one nineteen thirty three to one dollar twenty nine cents plus per ounce and transfer the silver to account of Silver Bullion Securing Certificates stop Compute segniorage on the basis of average cost of the metal in the account Newly Mined Domestic Silver depositing the segniorage in the Treasury by use of C D form one stop Credit amount of segniorage in Treasurers transcript and advise Treasurer by wire without fail the total monetary value taken into the account silver bullion securing certificates also the amount of segniorage stop Do not deposit this segniorage through the accounts of Chief Disbursing Officer.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director

July 20, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please send to San Francisco thirty kickers for automatic scales and if possible send half dozen at once.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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July 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 19th, you are authorized to purchase 1000 pounds of old blankets and pieces for use in the manufacture of fire mitts, from Freifus & Company, Inc., at the rate of 20¢ per pound.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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July 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Scovill Manufacturing Company to supply your Mint with 3,000 pounds of bronze strips 2" wide by .090" thick, at the rate of 16-3/8ths cents per pound, this being the lowest of three bids received.

You are also authorized to accept from the Scovill Manufacturing Company 300 pounds of flat-rolled bronze wire at the rate of 21-1/8th cents per pound.

It is understood that your reason for taking the higher bid on the wire is that the lower one is on wire put up in coils, which would be unsuitable for cutting into metal bars.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

July 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

It is requested that you furnish this Bureau with a complete detailed weekly report of the receipts of Gold and Silver from the beginning of the recording of each classification, up to and including your latest weekly report, in order that we may make a thorough and complete comparison of the records.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

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July 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to tentative contract No. T2m-287 covering electric service for the Philadelphia Mint during the fiscal year 1936.

Before the contract is approved, further information is requested concerning the stated minimum charge of $591.00 monthly. It is understood from the data accompanying the proposal that the minimum charge is based on elements that change monthly, therefore information is requested as to how a fixed minimum charge was arrived at, with computations if same are necessary for an understanding of the matter.

Yours truly,

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Director of the Mint.

July 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone instruction to you to make such preparations as are possible for the shipment of twenty million silver dollars from the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury at Washington. It is understood that these shipments are to start on Monday, July 29th, at the rate of one million dollars a day for five first days of each week.

In preparing these dollars for shipment please observe the condition of the bags and when it is found that they are insecure or have worn or are liable to break in transit, the coins should be resacked.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

July 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase from E. F. Houghton & Company, 100 feet each of 3/8" and 1/2" leather belting at 12¢ per foot, less 5%, and 50 feet of 11/16" at 18¢ per foot, less 5%, making a total net cost of $31.55.

It is understood that D. P. Brown & Company submitted a total net price of $22.64 on the same items and that J. E. Rhoads & Sons submitted a bid of $24.25.

It is further understood that you recommend that the award be made to the higher bidder as a result of tested samples of the belting which the lower priced firms propose to furnish and which were not found suitable for the work.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Lewis-Shepard Company to supply your Mint with one lift truck with a lifting capacity of from three thousand to five thousand pounds, at a cost of $122.00 net, this being the equal of another bid received.

It is understood that a lot was cast on the two bids which were on hand at the time of the opening of the bids and that the Lewis-Shepard Company was the successful bidder.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find two copies of approved contract for telephone service during the fiscal year 1936, also approved copies of letters of acceptance pertaining to contracts for the fiscal year 1936, as follows:

T2m-157, Keystone Telephone Co. of Philadelphia - Telephone.
T2m-282, Windsor Laundry - Laundering hand towels.
T2m-283, American Ice Company - Supplying ice.
T2m-284, August Bittner - Removing ashes and rubbish.
T2m-285, Paschall Oxygen Company - Hydrogen gas.
T2m-286, Burdett Oxygen Company - Hydrogen and acetylene gases.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter received from the representative of the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company, which is self-explanatory. With the return of this letter will you please give the Bureau the necessary information to reply to the Bank as to the cost of preparing the coins suggested.

It is believed that the alloy of the French two-franc piece is what is intended and that this alloy is described in the publication "Monetary Units and Coinage Systems". However, you are free to make suggestions to this Bureau as to the alloy which in your estimation would be the most practical.

With your reply please return the attached coin and the inclosed letter.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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July 25, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today five million one hundred thousand fine ounces silver received under Executive Proclamation December twenty one nineteen thirty three to one dollar twenty nine cents plus per ounce and transfer the silver to account of Silver Bullion Securing Certificates stop Compute seigniorage on the basis of average cost of the metal in the account Newly Mined Domestic Silver depositing the seigniorage in the Treasury by use of C D form one stop Credit amount of seigniorage in Treasurers transcript and advise Treasurer by wire without fail the total monetary value taken into the account silver bullion securing certificates also the amount of seigniorage stop Do not deposit this seigniorage through the accounts of Chief Disbursing Officer.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Vesuvius Crucible Company to supply your Mint with 500 graphite dipping cups #5 with strainers, at the rate of 75¢ each less 1%.

It is understood that five bids, all alik as to rate, were received on these crucibles but, as a clause was inserted in the specifications that time of delivery would be a determining factor in awarding the contract, it is understood that you recommend the acceptance of the Vesuvius Crucible Company's bid for the reason that they have on hand 150 of these cups for immediate delivery and that the need for the cups is urgent. It is further understood that the Dixon Crucible Company has but 40 on hand and that none of the other bidders have a stock on hand, and, therefore, you recommend that the contract be given to the Vesuvius Crucible Company.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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Government Facilities

JULY 26, 1935

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

PLEASE ADVISE AMOUNT RETIREMENT DEDUCTION JOSEPH A. DECKER FOR MONTH OF JULY 1935.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find contract No. T2m-287, approved, of the Philadelphia Electric Company, for supplying electric current to your institution during the current fiscal year.

Yours truly,

M. M. Rauch

Acting Director of the Mint.

E-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 24th suggesting rejection of all bids for supplying your office with approximately 1,250 tons of bituminous coal, for the reason that there was misunderstanding among the bidders regarding the "subsequent legislation clause" which has since been clarified. The Bureau concurs in this suggestion and sees no objection to the clause inserted by some bidders, specifying that delivery would be subject to strikes, riots, etc., not under the control of the bidders.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 27, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is in response to your letter of July 18, 1935, in which you state that Mr. Andrew F. Broughal has made inquiry of your office as to when he may expect to receive his annuity. Please be advised that action upon Mr. Broughal's annuity has been delayed pending receipt of communication from the Navy Department verifying his service in the Philadelphia Navy Yard. As this service will affect the amount of annuity, official verification must be received before the Civil Service Commission may act upon the case. The Commission advises that action should be completed within the next ten days.

Please tell Mr. Broughal that I am deeply regretful of the delay in getting his first annuity check to him. For your information I will state that this office has recently requested verification of all service by Mint employees in other Government offices. These verifications should be received within the next two months and thereafter no difficulties of this kind should occur.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director

M:VM

July 29, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today one million six hundred thousand fine ounces silver received under Executive Proclamation December twenty one nineteen thirty three to one dollar twenty nine cents plus per ounce and transfer the silver to account of Silver Bullion Securing Certificates stop Compute seigniorage on the basis of average cost of the metal in the account Newly Mined Domestic Silver depositing the seigniorage in the Treasury by use of C D form one stop Credit amount of seigniorage in the Treasurers transcript and advise Treasurer by wire without fail the total monetary value taken into the account silver bullion securing certificates also the amount of seigniorage stop Do not deposit this seigniorage through the accounts of Chief Disbursing Officer.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans has requested the following articles:

2 doz. pairs asbestos gloves
1 set of gold weights (1-mg. to 1000)

The Assayer also asks for two dozen pairs of leather gloves. Can you supply him with leather gloves?

The Bureau will appreciate your courtesy in supplying the asbestos gloves and weights at your early convenience.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

July 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find a copy of a letter of the General Accounting Office, dated July 26, 1935, relative to proceeds of check No. 75333 issued April 10, 1933, for 74¢. Also herewith please find the Bureau's file relative to the same subject. With return of all enclosures will you kindly make another attempt to supply the information asked for by the General Accounting Office.

Yours truly,

W. B. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

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July 31, 1935.

Atlantic Syrup Refining Co.,
Richmond and Tioga Streets,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen:

Your letter of July 29th, addressed to the Treasury Department, has been referred to this Bureau for attention.

It is true that the Federal employees working in the Mint at Philadelphia have not received compensation since July 1st. The appropriation from which these employees must be paid is now pending in Congress. As soon as the funds are available, employees will be remunerated.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

July 31, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco ten pairs half dollar dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

ORR

July 31, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to Denver twenty-five reverse and fifteen obverse quarter dollar dies.

O'Reilly

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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August 1, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed self-explanatory letters from the Chinese Legation and the Department of State, accepting the terms set forth for Chinese coinage and also a check in the sum of $3,200.00.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 1st, relative to metals in excess of the amounts required for the coinage for the Government of Honduras.

This letter will be authority for you to purchase the zinc, tin, copper and nickel at the market price for the small amounts. Since the silver is the property of the foreign government and would not have to be surrendered under the Nationalization Act there would appear to be no reason why this silver could not be purchased at the current market price for silver.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 3, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Please liquidate nineteen thirty five encumbrances against Emergency Banking etcetera appropriation as soon as practicable and repay unneeded advanced balances into Treasury by C D stop Funds for nineteen thirty six emergency appropriation obligations will be advanced you as soon as available.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

It is understood from your letter of August 3, 1935, that necessary repairs to a scleroscope can be satisfactorily made only by the manufacturer of the instrument, The Shore Instrument & Manufacturing Company at Jamaica, N. Y. Explanation should therefore be indicated on the Statement and Certificate of Award supporting the voucher in payment, that procurement was without competitive bids because of the stated facts in the case. The repairs, at approximately $35.60, are authorized.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am returning specimens of blanks sent to this Office when the Mexican coin alloy was being considered. These specimens are returned as part of your stock.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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August 7, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated July 23 and August 2 and 5, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

F-S
Encls.

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your reports on deposits and purchases of gold and silver, for the six-month period ending June 30, 1935, and you are advised that on form 474-A the face value of gold coin stated to have been transferred from the Treasury, when divided by $20.67+, gives a maximum possible amount of 1,556,852.141 ounces as compared with 1,604,093.881 ounces, as reported on both forms 474-A and 61-A.

The total face value of mutilated silver coin adds as $2,401.35 instead of $2,411.35. The recoinage value is shown as $2,461.10, which is more than the face value by considerable amount and therefore seems wholly improbable. The difference between the recoinage and face value is shown as a loss.

There are considerable differences between form 474-A and the aggregate of the monthly reports on silver and minor coin purchases.

Will you please furnish information explaining the discrepancies, and a corrected form 474-A if necessary.

Yours truly,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

H-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 6, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

As you were advised, the Civil Service Commission was recently requested by this office to refund excess deductions made from the salaries of Edward F. Gallagher, Dwight H. Zollers, and Chester N. Steever during the time those employees were detailed to duty at the Chicago World's Fair. The Commission now advises, however, that refund cannot be made solely upon the request of this office, but that it will be necessary for these employees to submit individual application for refund to the Civil Service Commission.

Forms for use by these employees are enclosed. There are also enclosed on separate sheets itemized statements concerning the excess deductions and it is suggested that these statements be forwarded by the employees with their applications. It is requested that this office be advised when refund has been received in order that proper adjustments may be made upon the retirement cards.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Blair

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 8, 1935

Mr. Oliver S. Truitt,
6953 Theodore Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Truitt:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 28, 1935, in which you express your desire to secure a position as guard at Fort Knox, Ky., or elsewhere in the Mint Service. Please be advised that construction on the depository at Fort Knox has not yet begun and no plans whatever have been made regarding the personnel at that station. It is the policy of the Mint Bureau to depend upon the Superintendents of the Mint institutions for selection of their personnel inasmuch as they are responsible for the efficient performance of duties by such personnel.

Although it is not my understanding that there are any vacancies now available, I would suggest that you address the Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., in order that your application may be placed on file for consideration should a vacancy occur.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Rice

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 7th, you are authorized to purchase from the General Refractories Company, 200 sets of letter "A" fire brick, at the rate of $1.26 per set, this being one of three identical bids. It is understood that the bid was awarded to the above-mentioned firm by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 7th, you are authorized to purchase 25 dozen pairs of buckskin gloves from Richards Evans & Sons, Inc., at the rate of $9.50 per dozen pairs less 1% ten days, this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

It is understood that these gloves are to be used in the handling of precious metals and when worn too much for further use, will be burned up to recover whatever metal may adhere to them.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 7th, you are authorized to purchase from J. Gibson McIlvaine Company, 5,000 ft. of white pine lumber at $48.00 per thousand feet, and 500 ft. of maple lumber at $8.00 per 100 feet; less 2% ten days on each item.

It is understood that the two low bids were equal and that lots were drawn, the award being made to the above-mentioned concern.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 7th, requesting a supply of the Table of Charges.

The stock of the Table of Charges is exhausted and the revised edition has not yet been prepared.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase 25 sets (100) truck casters, 5" diameter wheel, from The Colson-Merriam Company, at the rate of $2.56 per caster or $10.24 per set of four.

It is understood that these items are listed under Item 42-C-11180 (c) in the General Schedule of Supplies but no price is given in the list you have.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

It is understood from your report of personnel changes during the month of July that the name of Mildred Baher will probably make its first appearance on the emergency payroll for the first half of July, although she took the oath of office on June 29th.

In view of the fact that at the time she entered on duty, July 15th, there was no appropriation from which compensation for this position could be paid, it is requested that an emergency pay roll sheet, for the last half of June, be prepared for attachment to the corresponding pay roll for the last half of June, showing her as having taken the oath of office on June 29th, but as in a nonpay status. The pay roll should continue to carry the account in a nonpay status until she entered on duty. Marginal notations on the rolls should be in conformity with the above.

Please forward usual recommendation for the leave without pay for approval of Director of the Mint.

Yours truly,

N. M. Broach

Acting Director of the Mint.

T-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a copy of a letter addressed to you by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, relative to specimen shipments of about 1200 misshapen and mutilated United States one-cent pieces received in coin box public telephones.

15th,

The purpose of sending these coins to your Mint is to test the time required to examine and classify these pieces. The American Telephone and Telegraph Company claimed in conversation that it took 23 minutes to check the eligibility and 17 minutes to count 1,000 of these pieces. Will you make a test at the Mint to see how consistent this claim appears to be.

The purpose of this is to enable us to estimate the cost to the Mint of handling these disfigured pieces in case the Department decides that we shall receive them at the Mints as coins. We were not quite satisfied to accept the time test made without giving you an opportunity to compare it.

Very truly yours,

M. D. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ah

August 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In accounting for the payments being made for costs of transfering the silver dollars being shipped to the Treasury in Washington, it is requested that such payments be shown on the bullion account current in the "Bullion Fund Depositary Account", on the right-hand side, using the line preceding "Checks issued to" etc., with the explanation "Transfers to Treasurer U. S. of transportation charges paid on silver dollars transferred to Washington." On the left-hand side of the same account a like amount should be included with other "Increases with Treasurer" etc.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Neill

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 9th, you are authorized to accept, for the reasons stated in your letter, the bid of the Standard Copper Works to have six of the tumbling barrels used in your whitening room recovered with monel metal, at a cost of $68.00 each less 2% ten days.

It is understood that the above-mentioned firm submitted the lower of two bids received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

M. O'Reel,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 8th, you are authorized to purchase from the Nash Engineering Company, one compressor for your gas boosting service, at a cost of $475.00 less 2% ten days.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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August 13, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, US Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, US Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Deficiency Bill signed by the President late yesterday STOP Preparations are being made to have funds released STOP Please prepare pay rolls but do not make payment until specifically advised by this Bureau that funds are actually available.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find the proposal pertaining to tentative contract No. T2m-290, for indication of the capacity in which George H. James signs for the American Engineering Co., and return.

Yours truly,

Th. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 13, 1935.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin,
Assistant Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Chaffin:

Will you please ask Mr. Sinnock to refinish the medal of the President, being forwarded under separate cover, with a brighter finish which will give more life to the color of the silver.

I shall be glad to have this medal returned as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a copy of C/D No. 3-M-55 dated August 8, 1935, issued in the name of the Philadelphia Regional Disbursing Officer, in the amount of $3,200.00, account of Special Deposit Account - Central Mint China Dies etc. This C/D is on form 1, and since it is presumed that it should have been on form 6599 the matter is brought to your attention, with request that it be taken up with the regional disbursing officer if the amount has not been correctly covered.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau's letter of July 10, 1935, requesting that certain items on form 61-A for the six-month period ending December 31, 1934, be reclassified and that the Bureau be advised about other items and discrepancies on forms 61-A and 474-A. It is requested that this information be furnished as soon as possible, for annual report purposes.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly,

H-F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of August 12, 1935, you are authorized to enter into contract with the lowest bidder, for supplying your institution with approximately 1,250 tons of coal at a price of $5.19 per ton, during the current fiscal year.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find assay reports on June deposits Nos. 5009, 5235 and 5625-N, with request that notations be made thereon that will explain how the extra charges imposed, per tabulation at the right-hand end of the form, were arrived at. It is also requested that similar notations appear in future like cases.

June vouchers numbered 81 to 84, for purchase of minor metal, carry indication of procurement under contracts numbered T2m-274 and T2m-278. The Bureau records do not show that any of the contracts in this series of 274 to 278 have been received here. Will you please forward them. It is also requested that contracts always be forwarded promptly after execution instead of being retained until deliveries thereunder have been made.

Please forward copies of receipts issued for collection of $11,375 for Cuban coin delivered, and of $300 from Government of China.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter received by this Bureau from the Ferracute Machine Company, requesting to be furnished with drawings of certain automatic feeding devices now used on our coining presses. If, in your discretion, it is appropriate to supply these drawings the Bureau has no objection.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Ferracute Machine Company.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is letter of July 30, 1935, from Walter S. Nunnamaker relative to his dismissal from your institution. Please return Mr. Nunnamaker's letter with your comments. It is noted Mr. Nunnamaker refers to his dismissal as of June 25, 1935, whereas the records of this office indicate that his separation became effective July 18, 1935. Please verify this date.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 15, 1935.

Government Facilities.

Superintendent, US Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, US Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, US Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Warrant covering pay roll for emergency employees signed this morning STOP Expected requisition will be made by noon today and that you will be authorized ~~xxxxxxx~~ to make payments tomorrow STOP Please await notification from this Bureau of positive release of funds, before making payments.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

August 15, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today August fifteenth at usual rates one million fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 15, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

As you have been advised requests have recently been made for verification of all service by Mint employees in other Government departments. In this connection the War Department was requested to furnish statement of the service of Mr. Thomas F. Farren in the Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia, as Clerk from February 14, 1917, to March 18, 1918. Verification of this service has now been received. However the War Department states that Mr. Farren's date of birth appears on its records as October 8, 1876, whereas it appears that the date of birth given by Mr. Farren in the Mint service was October 8, 1871.

As the correct date of birth must be on record in order that Mr. Farren may be retired at the proper age, it will be necessary that he submit proof of date of birth. Circular which describes the types of proof acceptable is inclosed. None of the types of proof listed, except the first, may be accepted unless it is shown that none of the prededing types on the list can be obtained.

Very truly yours,

N. A. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM
Enclosure

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to this Bureau an itemized statement, giving names and amounts, of encumbrances liquidated during June of the Emergency Banking Appropriation. Miscellaneous expenses only, for information of the Chief Clerk.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm request telephoned to you today to have five Mexican long neck dies forwarded by airmail to the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco.

The Superintendent states that he placed an order for ten pairs on August 5th with this Bureau and and he understood your Mint had no record of this case. I presume, therefore, that the five dies requested in the telegram of today are a part of that order.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

August 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith is application for one day of leave without pay, June 29, 1935, executed by Miss Mildred Baehr.

The record of this office shows that Miss Baehr first entered on duty July 15, 1935. It will therefore be necessary for you to submit application for leave without pay for the entire period from June 29 to July 14, inclusive.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

M Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.

August 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find two copies of approved contract No. T2m-156 of The Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, for furnishing telephone service to your institution during the current fiscal year.

Yours truly,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

August 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please deliver the inclosed photograph of Assistant Secretary Robert, who has been requested that his medal be made at the Mint.

Mr. Robert promises to have a large photograph taken but in the meantime was anxious to have some preparation started for this medal as soon as possible. Mr. Sinnock may be able to make a rough sketch from this small photograph in anticipation of the larger portrait to come.

Very truly yours,

John M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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August 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing correspondence received from the State Department, relative to Venezuelan coinage. With the return of this correspondence at your earliest convenience will you please advise the Bureau of the charges which should be made for this coinage.

This Bureau believes that we are authorized to base our estimate for this coinage on the details as to number of coins and characteristics of these coins indicated in the letter from the agent named by the Venezuelan Minister in connection with this coinage, which is the Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

August 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to increase the number of five-centavo pieces now being made for the Government of Colombia from four million pieces to ten million pieces. This is in accordance with the request received by this Department through the State Department from the Minister of Colombia.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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August 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find communication of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, dated August 12, 1935, relative to accomplishment of Government Bill of Lading covering shipment of lead sheets to the Bureau of the Mint. Since the bill of lading can not be located here it is suggested that you initiate and forward a Certificate in Lieu of Lost Bill of Lading covering this transaction.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

August 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find an approved letter of acceptance and two copies of Proposal, of contract No. T2m-290, for supplying your institution with iron castings by the American Engineering Co.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

August 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find papers pertaining to contract No. T2m-289, for signature in the certificate "I have satisfied myself", etc., and on form 1036.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

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August 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of August 9, 1935, relative to the annual leave to the credit of Mr. John J. May at the time of his suspension without pay for an indefinite period on May 10, 1935.

I feel that it would not be consistent to reinstate Mr. May for the purpose of paying him for leave due and to resuspend him at the expiration of such leave. If Mr. May secures employment in another office, that office may grant him the leave due if it so desires.

Respectfully,

M. McOrkle

M

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed please find voucher, and attached supporting papers, covering express transportation charges on shipments made to your institution, together with a copy of General Accounting Office pre-audit rate memorandum, which latter is for your information and action.

Please reply to this bureau and return voucher and other attached papers.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Orlick

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/nnu

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August 19, 1935.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company,
Broad Street Station,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Gentlemen:

Your bill #2355766A, supported by Government transportation requests #961,606 and 961,608 are herewith returned. There is also enclosed your ticket #36085, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Washington, District of Columbia, which was procured by transportation request 961,608 noted above.

On account of illness the traveler Nellie Tayloe Ross, Director of the Mint was compelled to leave the train at Baltimore, Maryland, and enter the hospital.

It is requested, therefore, that deduction be made on this bill for the unused portion of the distance, Baltimore to Washington.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

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August 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a report received from the Secret Service which is self-explanatory.

You understand, of course, that the amount of the shortage, $29.00, must be made good in your accounts.

The Secret Service Agent in Philadelphia will no doubt be of assistance to you in following this matter further should you believe that it is possible to apprehend the person or persons who stole this money. In any case the amount must be made good to the Government.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a copy of a communication addressed to the Mint at Denver, Colorado by Banco De Mexico, S. A., relative to the balance of silver now on hand at the Mint at Denver.

It is understood that the Representative of the Mexican Government is still at your Mint. I shall appreciate your courtesy if you will hand to him the enclosures in this letter. Should you desire that the Bank of Mexico be addressed directly by us, please advise the Bureau with the return of these letters.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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August 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Walton C. Clark, Technical Assistant to Assistant Director of Procurement, relative to spare parts for the motor generator set in your Mint. Mr. Clark states that these parts will be a legitimate charge against their annual appropriation for mechanical equipment. They have, therefore, placed an order for these parts in accordance with our request.

Respectfully,

D. W. Bailey

Acting Director of the Mint.

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver,
Superintendent, United States Assay Office, New York
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans
Assayer in Charge, United States Assay Office, Seattle

If you have on hand any stock of Department Circular Number fifty five dated January twenty six nineteen twenty seven as amended September twenty six nineteen thirty three please destroy STOP The circular should not be distributed in its present form

M M OREILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE MINT

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August 22, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Under date of August 20th, the Secretary advised the State Department that the Mint at Philadelphia would be requested to prepare dies and hubs and working dies for Chinese coins, in accordance with the request of the Chinese Legation at Washington. The legation asked for "One set Master Die and Hub for quarter dollar silver - Five pairs Working Dies for quarter dollar silver." The letter from the Chinese Legation to the Secretary of State stated that the dies are to be made in accordance with designs and drawings to be furnished by Mr. Chung Mon Yin, Technical Expert of the National Government Central Mint, who is now supervising the manufacture of the dies at your mint.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the filling of this order.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your contract T2m-275, with Miller, Main, Sayer & Company, for cotton twill, etc., it is requested that a copy of your acceptance of their proposal be forwarded for filing with the other papers. The/papers pertaining to the contract are the proposal, the statement and certificate of award, and the Department of Justice clearance.

received

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is today in receipt of letter from the State Department enclosing a note from the Colombian Minister, relative to dies to be prepared for his Government.

The Minister states in his note that the articles referred to are a set of master dies and that the price stated for such work is acceptable. This letter will, therefore, be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of these dies.

For information and appropriate action, I am enclosing a copy of a letter from the State Department, together with a copy of the translation of a note from the Colombian Minister relative to these dies.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

P. S. Since writing the above, your letter of the 21st has been received. The Colombian Minister, through the State Department, has today been advised of your suggestion in regard to the mailing of the dies, particularly as to your suggestion to have the dies sent to the Minister of Colombia at Washington for transmission by him.

August 23, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.

Gentlemen:

The following paragraph is quoted, for your information and guidance, from letter of the Under-Secretary of the Treasury, dated August 14, 1935.

> "You are authorized to make payment to the depositors of silver under the Proclamations of April 10 and 24, 1935, by check drawn against the bullion fund, unless the depositor specifically requests that payment be made in silver dollars, silver certificates or other coin or currency of the United States."

It will be observed from the above quoted paragraph that the authorization to pay for Newly Mined Domestic Silver by check does not apply to the silver covered by the original proclamation of December 21, 1933, but does cover silver received under both of the proclamation's amendments - April 10 and 24, 1935.

The carrying into effect of this method of payment does not contemplate any segregations in the accounts of the Newly Mined Domestic Silver other than those heretofore effective.

Yours truly,

D. N. O'Neil

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

August 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of August 21, 1935, relative to the status of David Barry, formerly Fireman at $5.60 per diem, on the regular roll of your institution.

Please be advised that your records should be adjusted to show Mr. Barry as having been separated from the service for retirement under Section 6 of the Retirement Act, effective at the close of business April 30, 1935.

It is assumed that Mr. Barry's annuity has been approved by the Civil Service Commission. However, the Commission discontinued the practice of sending the departments notice of approval of annuities on July 1 of this year.

Respectfully,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

M

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August 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of White Brothers for the purchase of copper grindings, worn out crucibles, broken crucibles, etc., amounting to $102.50, this being the only bid received of four asked. It is understood that this material is old waste and is of no further value to the Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reel

Acting Director of the Mint.

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AUGUST 26, 1935.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

SUPERINTENDENT
UNITED STATES MINT
PHILADELPHIA PENNSYLVANIA

PLEASE FORWARD TO SAN FRANCISCO TWO DOZEN STANDARD QUARTER DOLLAR COLLARS

M M OREILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE MINT

OR

September 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your report on form 900, Operations of the M. & R. Department during the fiscal year 1935, on gold and silver.

Further information is desired concerning the items of gold and silver receipts stated as deposits amounting to some 3,400,000 ounces gold and 4,400,000 silver, which quantities seem very large in view of the receipts as per form 61-A and the accounts. It is requested that the sources of these receipts, with quantities, be stated, with reasons for the very large amounts.

Further information is also desired concerning the reported amount of gold operated upon, which seems very small in view of the evident melting of some 4,600,000 ounces gold coin into certificate bars.

Yours truly,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

September 9, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.
" " " U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that the title of the emergency appropriation for the current fiscal year is Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1936, symbol 26008.

Yours truly,

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

It has been suggested that since your stock of quarter dollars and dimes is being rather rapidly depleted, it might be well to prepare to shift to the coinage of those two denominations and discontinue other coinage as soon as operations can be satisfactorily adjusted to affect this change.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

September 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 9th. Providing you are released by the Department of Justice to permit you to buy in the open market certain cotton duck, this letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of R. A. Humphry's Sons, Inc., to supply you with 1500 yards of #8 cotton duck at 33½¢ per yard, this being the lowest of four bids received.

It is understood that this duck is wanted for the manufacture of large coin bags for the Treasury Department.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

September 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please forward vouchers to support the quantities of metal carried in your foreign metals statements for the month of July, 1935, as having been received from Colombia (nickel) and from Honduras (bronze); no such vouchers were found with the other papers.

It is requested that in future the amounts of seigniorage on silver bullion set up to secure certificates be not stated in the bullion depositary account. It is not understood that checks are drawn to cover these items, but in any event drawing of such checks is not necessary. It is also requested that in future you number the C/Ds issued in the name of the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint on account of seigniorage on silver bullion securing certificates, increment on gold deposits received at $20.67+, etc. This number series should differ from that of the G. F. Allen series.

It is also suggested that you discontinue issuing forms No. 193 for silver bullion not used in coinage. The purpose of this form is for use as a seigniorage voucher.

Public vouchers Nos. 232, 238, 994 and 995 have, attached to the dealers' bills by staples, a slip of paper on which is carried the certification of correctness, etc. Such certifications on separate slips of paper are unsatisfactory since they are in blank and can be attached to anything by anybody. Certification of correctness, etc., should be either written on the dealers' bills or shown in the space provided on the public voucher form.

Voucher No. 1143 in favor of the Kali Manufacturing Co., for acid, is accompanied by a statement on standard form 1036 that the procurement was without advertising in accordance with telephoned quotations. Please advise the Bureau as to justification for procuring without signed quotations, since the General Accounting Office has ruled that such procedure does not adequately evidence the securing of competitive prices.

Please advise the Bureau of the meter readings pertaining to the water bill for 1935, July voucher No. 1145, meter W-934843. The charge for consumption through this meter is the minimum, but the readings should be available as a check on the next following bill.

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Voucher No. 1877 is returned for certification of payee.

Item No. 48-I-275, General Schedule of Supplies catalogue, is listed therein as $2.89 per C, while payment on voucher No. 1149 is at rate of $3.49 per C. Explanation is requested as to difference.

Extra copy of proposal with voucher No. 1724 is returned for your files.

Memorandums of bullion received Nos. N-1201 and N-1310 are returned for signature of representative of the Superintendent.

Assay reports on deposits Nos. 5759, 5832, 5870, 179 and 556 are enclosed for harmonizing the extra charge notations with the amounts imposed, and indication of conditions that warranted the extra charges.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

P-F-S
Encls.

September 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed vouchers are returned for your signature as to whether the "Pick-up at Origin" was or was not by the Government.

Kindly sign in the executed space and return to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

September 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to our letter of August 9th, relative to an estimate of the cost to the Mint of handling disfigured coins specimens of which were sent to your office by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Reference is also made to your letter of August 17th, in which you stated "The time consumed in reviewing and counting this single lot of pieces should not be used as a basis for handling large amounts of such coins. It is believed that a fair average of time would be twenty minutes to review and eight minutes to count one thousand such coins.".

Will you please advise this Bureau, upon receipt of this letter, of the cost per thousand pieces for doing this work. The information is desired to enable the Department to fix upon a charge to be imposed for the examination of these enlarged coins fraudulently used in slot machines.

As this correspondence has been pending for some time in the Bureau you will be of assistance to us if you will reply as soon as convenient.

Very truly yours,

H. M. Daugherty

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

September 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 13th, and in response you are advised that the package received by you on September 11th, bearing registry No. 435226 is the property of Mr. J. E. Carter, Hamlet, North Carolina.

Very truly yours,

N. B. Rawls

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/sh

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September 16, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please advise at your earliest convenience the total basic salary payments to Miss Mary Hyland during the period of her temporary employment in your institution from September 2, 1924, to May 18, 1925, inclusive. Retirement record in this office indicates that retirement deduction of $3.24 was made from her salary during the fiscal year 1925. Please advise whether the first day of this deduction was May 19, 1925, the date of her probational appointment.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM

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September 16, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Statement of service record and retirement deductions has been received from the War Department in the case of Mr. George N. Kirby. This statement shows that he was given probational appointment as Laborer in the Quartermaster Corp, Camp Dix, New Jersey, August 3, 1922, and removed for reduction of force October 23, 1922. Service previously shown on the record of this office was from April 1, 1918, to March 2, 1920.

The statement received from the War Department must be accepted by this office as correct unless Mr. Kirby can furnish such information as will enable that Department to locate additional record of service.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

M,vm

September 16, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Statement of service record and retirement deductions has been received from the Department of Agriculture in the case of Howard E. Freas. This statement indicated that retirement deductions of $19.78 were made from his salary during the fiscal year 1921 and that deductions of $10.00 were made during the fiscal year 1922. It does not appear that these deductions were ever refunded to him. The deductions did not previously appear upon our record, and it is assumed that they do not appear on your record as your statement of the total amount to Mr. Freas' credit in the Retirement Fund agreed with our record prior to the addition of these deductions.

The matter is being called to your attention in order that you may amend your records accordingly. The addition of these deductions make a total of $896.85 to Mr. Freas' credit as of June 30, 1935. Deductions previously shown on Mr. Freas' record for the fiscal year 1922 were $23.40. Please investigate as to whether this amount included the $10 deductions in the Agriculture Department or only the Mint deductions for the fiscal year 1922.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM

September 15, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the transfer of Mr. Joseph B. Davis to the position of Storekeeper in your institution has changed his proper retirement age from 65 years to 70 years.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

McVM

September 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 16th concerning the melting and refining department operations reported on form 900, for the fiscal year 1935.

Relative to the item of reported deposits received during the year, as per first paragraph of the quoted M. & R. Department statement, it is understood that the quantities of gold and silver mentioned in that paragraph were not actually received by the M. & R. Department. If such is the case, the Bureau will eliminate them in its use of the items unless information is supplied justifying their inclusion. Please advise whether the question of operating loss or gain thereon occasioned their inclusion in the report on form 900, and if so, in what connection.

Relative to the question of amount of gold operated upon and the losses and gains thereon, we would like to be informed as to actual quantities operated upon, also actual losses and gains, without regard to the question of method of reimbursement. Please advise the Bureau as to the amount of loss that accrued in the melting of the gold coin, segregating, if possible, the premelting losses incident to abrasion, etc., from those incident to melting. In this connection it is presumed that the reported content of sweeps included the gold absorbed by the crucibles in which the coin was melted. If this information can be supplied relative to last year's operations, it is suggested that future operations be reported on this basis and that a footnote be shown giving, separately, premelting coin losses and those resulting from melting.

Yours truly,

D. M. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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O'R/eh

September 18, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Confirming telephone communication of today please forward to San Francisco fifteen quarter dollar obverse dies as soon as possible.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

September 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 17th, you are authorized to purchase two sets of fire brick linings, complete, for your #17 American Gas Furnace Company's rotary annealing furnaces, at a cost of $160.00 per set.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three asked.

It is further understood that the two furnaces have been in use a number of years and the linings need renewing in order to give satisfactory annealing of coin blanks.

Very truly yours,

M. A. Paley

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

September 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing correspondence received from the State Department relative to the proposed coinage for the Government of Colombia.

With the return of these papers will you please advise the Bureau of the charges to be imposed for this coinage, and the approximate time required, taking into account the demand at this time for domestic coinage.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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September 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am taking the liberty of returning your letter of September 17th, having checked the second paragraph to indicate only one person, Robert W. Livingston, who appears to be carried in the 65-year class instead of in the 70-year class. The records of the rest of the names correspond with your statement.

May I suggest that as to the first group of six names whose transfer you recommend they be discussed with the Director when she reaches there this week. If it should happen that she does not stop at Philadelphia kindly return this letter.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

O'R/eh

September 19, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

A letter was addressed to the Secretary of State on September 12th relative to the increased coinage requested by Colombia STOP No reply has yet been received STOP Since telephoning to you the State Department has been consulted and has promised to expedite reply to our letter.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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September 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 20th, you are authorized to purchase a meter from the Union Water Meter Company, at a cost of $210.60 less 1% for payment in 10 days. It is understood that this was the lowest of three bids received.

Very truly yours,

D. B. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/sh

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September 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 17, 1935, in response to communication of September 16 from this office, concerning the service of Mr. George N. Kirby.

Your notation regarding Mr. Kirby's service in the War Department from April 1, 1918, to March 2, 1920, "Temporary appointment; no status", is not understood. Please advise whether Mr. Kirby actually worked during this period. If so, he apparently would be entitled to service credit for it, if the service can be verified by the War Department. If he actually worked during this period, and if he wishes to claim service credit for it, please advise whether the service was actually at Camp Dix, N. J., in the Quartermaster Corps, and furnish the name of his superior officer and any other information which may assist the War Department in locating record of the service. Copies of any papers Mr. Kirby may possess, relative to the service, would be helpful.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

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September 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that your recommendation of September 16, 1935, for the promotion of Mrs. Catherine O'Connor to the position of Skilled Workman does not mention the salary to be paid in the new position. Please forward supplementary recommendation including salary.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M

Director of the Mint.

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September 24, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 23rd, you are authorized to purchase approximately 1250 pounds of cream of tartar, from Charles Pfizer & Company, Inc., at the rate of 16½¢ per pound less 1% 10th proximo.

It is understood that this was the lowest of three bids received.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

O'R/ah

September 25, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please forward to San Francisco fifteen pairs dime dies twenty large and twelve small collars for the above with shipment made as soon as possible STOP Also please forward twenty reverse one cent dies as soon as convenient to the Mint at Denver.

Nellie Tayloe Ross, N.T.R.
Director.

September 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter received today from the State Department, proposing the issue of certain coinage for the Government of Nicaragua.

With the return of the inclosed letters will you please advise me as to the charges which should be made for this coinage, the amount of metal required and other pertinent information to enable this Bureau to make reply to the State Department.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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September 25, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Since returning to Washington from my inspection trip I have found that there are many loose ends in connection with the work at your institution which is under the jurisdiction of the Procurement Division to enable me to follow up and urge the completion of projects not yet adjusted to our satisfaction.

Will you please send me a list at your earliest convenience of such projects as have been agreed upon by us and yet not completely installed and adjusted by the Procurement Division at your institution.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

September 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find transportation request T 961-643 which is returned to you, in order that you may have Mr. Coleman affix his signature in the designated space , and then return to this Bureau at your earliest possible convenience.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

AGP/mu

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September 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed letter of J. F. Apple Company, together with receipt of Railway Express Agency for $1.24, charges on the sterling sheet shipped to your Mint.

If this is Nationalized Silver, please prepare the correct voucher for reimbursment of these charges and forward to the J. F. Apple Company for certification, who in turn should return to you for your signature.

After the above has been completed, will you, at your earliest possible convenience, return the enclosed papers to this Bureau for payment.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

AGP/mu

September 30, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Following is a list of changes of retirement ages due to transfers or promotions which were not included in the list recently furnished by you:

Name	Position	Previous Retire. Age	Present Retire. Age
Pepper, Jacob	Asst. Clerk in Charge of Weigh Room	65	70
Bell, Harold L.	Helper	70	65
Cannon, Dennis J.	Asst. Supt. of Coining Dept.	65	70

Harry S. McDougall was promoted from the position of Guard to the position of Helper on October 1, 1931, but retirement age has been carried on the records of this office at 70 years. This has been changed to 65 years and should be changed on your records also.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M.VM

October 1, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find carbon copy of letter dated September 24, 1935, with accompanying papers, received from the General Accounting Office relative to the claim of Edward Connor, coal dealer, in the sum of $974.59, for relief on account of additional costs incident to compliance with N.R.A. requirements.

Will you please contact Mr. Conner and advise him of the requirements of the General Accounting Office. When all the information called for in the first part of the letter in question, particularly mentioned in the first two pages thereof, has been supplied in triplicate, all such information together with the papers herewith enclosed should be returned to this office for further consideration as regards the matters mentioned in the last two pages of the letter. All the papers herewith enclosed should be retained intact in your office, but the claimant may be permitted to inspect them, if necessary for the supplying of the required additional information.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

September 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of September 24, concerning probational appointment of Mr. Charles Burns as Sheet Metal Worker, please be advised that I will approve this appointment if you will send formal recommendation through the office of your Civil Service District. I suggest that compensation of $5.50 per diem be specified in your recommendation.

Letter of Mr. Lewis J. Harrington, applying for promotion to position of Assistant Foreman of Plumbing and Steamfitter is returned herewith. Please send your formal recommendation in this connection, together with the inclosed Form 375, executed by Mr. Harrington.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

O'R/d

October 2, 1935.

Government Facilities.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Ipsse forward to San Francisco twelve large nickel collars and twelve small nickel collars.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Kennecott Sales Corporation to supply your Mint with 60,000 pounds of cathode copper, at the rate of 9¢ per pound, this being one of three equal bids received of four asked.

It is understood that slips were drawn and the award fell to the Kennecott Sales Corporation by this method.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Kennecott Sales Corporation to supply your Mint with 150,000 pounds of electrolytic copper in ingots weighing not over 20 pounds each, at the rate of $0.905 per pound, this being one of three equal prices received of five asked.

It is understood that one of the three companies bid on 25-lb. ingots, which are too heavy for Mint use, and that slips were drawn on bids of the Kennecott Sales Corporation and the American Smelting & Refining Company which resulted in the former being the successful bidder.

It is further understood that this copper is to be used for minor coinage and payment is to be made from the Minor Coinage Metal Fund.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In response to your inquiry of October 2, please be advised that Form 3006 covers only retirement deductions due a deceased employee and does not eliminate the need of Form 1055, which covers unpaid salary. A receipted itemized funeral bill is required in any case with Form 1055 but is not required with Form 3006.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

October 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to this office the statement of annual and sick leave which was furnished by the Chief Clerk, Treasury Department, relative to Edward A. Biggins, at the time he was transferred to your institution. It is necessary for the Bureau to forward this statement to the office in which Mr. Biggins is now employed.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau a schedule of your receipts of newly mined domestic gold and silver during the period January to June, 1935, for use by the Bureau of Mines. The data should include the date of the receipt of the deposit, name and address of the depositor, the State in which mined, and the fine ounces of gold and of silver.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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October 5, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated August 19 and 29 and October 2, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-8
Encls.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of today, requesting partial shipment to San Francisco of nickel collars.

Very truly yours,

N. Morgan

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is today in receipt of a letter from the State Department, advising that the information has just reached the Minister of Venezuela, from his Government in Caracas, that the estimate contained in the Department's letter of August 22nd for the recoinage desired by his Government has been approved.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of the coinage for Venezuela as early as practicable. The terms for this coinage, as forwarded to the State Department, are in accordance with those contained in your letter to this Bureau of July 9, 1935.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding, under separate cover, a profile portrait of Assistant Secretary Robert. Will you please deliver this to the Engraver with instructions to proceed with the preparation of the medal of Mr. Robert as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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October 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the report of Gold and Silver which was submitted by you to this Bureau under date of July 26th, I wish to quote our figures as we have them recorded on our books, and which agree with the figures reported on your weekly telegrams, but which do not agree with the figures you quoted on the July 26th statement.

Will you kindly check back on your wires under dates given on attached sheets and also compare your records with ours and advise this bureau which of the two figures are correct. It is very essential that our figures agree exactly with yours, as they are given to press every week.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

O'R/ah

October 8, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco following dies ten pair nickel ten pair dimes fifteen pair halves.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

October 8, 1935.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today October eighth without fail at usual rates nine hundred fifty thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and two hundred twenty seven thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

O'R/sh

October 8, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Assayer in Charge, US Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, US Assay Office, Seattle Wash.

A deficiency appropriation has provided a sum which will permit us to purchase uniforms for the guards of your institution STOP Please wire today number of guards for whom such uniforms should be ordered by this Bureau STOP Also please advise Bureau today of any requirements for machine and gas guns in addition to those you now have on hand together with amount of ammunition which should be provided keeping ~~xxxx~~ in mind the necessity for not ordering excessive amount of ammunition at any one time.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 8, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is today in receipt of a letter from the State Department, advising that the Cuban Government has accepted the terms set forth by us in our letter to the State Department under date of September 25th.

This letter will be formal authority for you to proceed with this coinage as soon as practicable.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 5th, you are authorized to purchase from the Electro Refractories and Alloys Corporation, for use in your electric furnaces, 500 high-carbon crucibles, at the rate of $1.50 each less 1% ten days.

It is understood this was the lower of two bids received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward statement, by fiscal years, of retirement deductions made from the salary of Mr. Edward Allen Biggins during his employment in your institution. Also please furnish statement of all forms of leave taken during the present calendar year, sick leave taken during the calendar year 1934, and statement of leave furnished you by the Office of the Chief Clerk, Treasury Department, at the time of Mr. Biggins transfer to your institution.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

M

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The balance in the Emergency Banking Fund for the remainder of the calendar year is so limited that it will be necessary to confine your expenditures strictly to the sum of $30,000 for November and $30,000 for December. There is no way by which this fund can be augmented. I am advising you of this situation in advance in order that you may not count upon receiving any additional amounts from this appropriation for the next two months.

In case it is absolutely essential to employ additional help, it will be necessary that you place such employees on the regular roll under temporary appointment for a period of not to exceed ninety days.

As the regular fund is being taxed very heavily it will be necessary for you to exercise every economy in the expenditures for the balance of this calendar year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

October 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please advise the Bureau, for the information of the Procurement Division, the voucher number, amount thereof, month in which paid, and name of the disbursing officer, pertaining to liquidation of your order No. 476 of June 12, 1934, given to the Marble & Shattuck Chair Company, subcontractor of the Charles Rubel & Company, Inc., Washington, D. C., for chairs.

Yours truly,

P-S

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 11, 1935.

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Receive today October eleventh without fail at usual rates one million five hundred thirty thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and four hundred four thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommdation contained in your letter of October 10th, you are authorized to purchase from Nathan Trotter & Company, for use in minor coinage, 12,000 pounds of electrolytic zinc, at the rate of $0.0610 per pound; and 3,000 pounds of Straits tin, at the rate of $0.5175 per pound.

In the case of the zinc it is understood that this was the lower of two prices received of four asked, while on the tin it was the only price received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

W. A. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am returning today by parcel post, insured, the electroplate of the medal of the Secretary. It is understood that this electroplate is to be held by your Mint for exhibition purposes.

Shortly before the departure of the Secretary for Europe this Bureau was advised that further consideration would be given this medal upon his return. It is expected that some changes will be suggested.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 10, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 28 in which you advised that Mr. Edward F. Gallagher and Mr. Chester N. Steever have received check covering refund of excess deductions made from their salary while detailed at the Chicago World's Fair and stated that Mr. Dwight H. Zollers has not yet received payment. The Civil Service Commission advises that check dated September 11, 1935, was mailed to Mr. Gallagher, and that checks dated September 12, 1935, were mailed to Mr. Steever and Mr. Zollers. Please advise whether Mr. Zollers has received this check since your letter of September 28 was written. If not, an attempt will be made to trace it.

Very truly yours,

M. O'Reilly

M:VM

Director of the Mint

October 14, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your accounts for the month of August.

Statement and certificate of award with voucher no. 166 is returned for amendment as regards award; the indication is that award is to lowest bidder, while accompanying papers indicate otherwise. Justification of award to other than lowest bidder should be indicated on the form 1036.

Voucher no. 179 in favor of the Durdette Oxygen Company carries a delivery charge on oxygen; according to the Bureau records of contract no. 286, no delivery charge is provided for oxygen, although there is a delivery charge provided for acetylene. Please advise the Bureau whether the contract provides delivery charge on oxygen, and if not the amounts paid should be refunded.

Please forward copy of purchase order to support voucher no. 203 in favor of Semel Goldman for hinges.

The proposal pertaining to voucher no. 260, Singer Sewing Machine Company, is enclosed for indication thereon of price submitted by bidder.

Vouchers no. 228 and no. 229 in favor of the Postmaster are returned for the Postmaster's certifications.

Voucher no. 248 is returned for completion to include amount of coinage shipped, rates, etc.

Memorandum copies of vouchers nos. 187, 188, 189, and 190 are returned for your files.

Please give early attention to these matters.

Very truly yours,

F-D

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

O'R/sh

October 15, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please forward to San Francisco ~~for~~ twenty new type beams with all parts complete six center knives for new beams on hand.

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 15, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of October 10 recommending the reinstatement of Eugene Gilmartin to the position of Helper on the regular roll at $5.04 per diem. In addition to the forms which have been forwarded by you, a form 375 executed by Mr. Gilmartin will be required before the case may be sent to the Civil Service Commission for approval. Blank form is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

Enclosure
M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am returning a medal of the Director of the Mint with the request that it be refinished. This medal was lent to be used for illustration and has been returned to the Bureau in this marred condition. I will appreciate it if you will have it refinished and returned to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 15, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This office has been advised that form 2808 (retirement record card) covering the Government service of Bertha O. Taylor prior to her appointment in your institution has been furnished to us. As the card cannot be located here, you are requested to advise as to whether it was inadvertently sent to your institution. If not, request will be made upon the Department in which she was formerly employed for another card.

Very truly yours,

M:VM

Director of the Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Your correspondence of October 11 received and noted.

We have corrected our records to agree with your figures, and the following totals of our records now check with yours as of October 4 for the first two and October 11 for December 21 Silver:

Imports	Secondary	Dec. 21 Silver
$589,308.08	$23,620,195.02	21,536,219.99 oz.

On the following total we are still our and will await your reply before making the final correction. The wire received from you as of August 23, 1935 reported $376.07 and your figure on your correspondence of October 11 reads $376.11. This is the only discrepancy which now exists.

To date I have not figured the Nationalized Silver which is out of balance 109.52 ounces, but we feel most of it is due to our not carrying fractions of ounces in the past, but will begin to do so from now on.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the matter, and awaiting an early reply, we remain

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 16, 1935.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today October sixteenth without fail at usual rates two million three hundred thirty thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and two hundred fifty eight thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Taylce Ross,
Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 14th, giving in detail the results of tests on graphite crucibles.

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Vesuvius Crucible Company to supply your Mint with 500 #70 graphite crucibles at a cost of $9.05 each, less 1%. It is understood that two other concerns bid the same amount but that upon the practical test the Vesuvius crucible showed 182½ melts, which is in excess of others tested. You are, therefore, authorized to accept this proposal on the basis of performance.

It is also understood that payment for the test samples furnished by five other firms will be made in proportion to the results obtained in the test melts.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 14th, you are authorized to purchase from the Quaker City Electric Company, 66 plates, 16 ends and 40 gallons of electrolytes, at a total cost of $307.60 less 2% 10th proximo.

It is understood that the above mentioned parts and liquid are needed to replenish your battery system which operates the time clocks and the telephones in your Mint; also the watchmen's protective system as the last renewal was made about six years ago and the power is beginning to go down.

It is further understood that the proposal accepted was the lower of two received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 16, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of October 11 transmitting oath of office executed by Walter H. Clunn who entered on duty October 10 as Machinist on the emergency roll. It is noted you assume that a new Personal History Statement is not required when a person has not been employed between the dates of separation and reappointment.

It is requested that Personal History Statement be submitted in all such cases not only in order to cover intervening Government service but also in order to take into account any changed condition which would effect other parts of the Personal History Statement.

Very truly yours,

N. D. Reilly

Director of the Mint

M:VM

October 17, 1935

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, United States Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, United States Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed a number of copies of a new form which is to be used for your regular monthly reports of loss or gain of employees. The information required on this form differs materially from that previously required in that it is now necessary to separate appointments and separations into two groups. The first group includes all appointments or separations which involve transfers and should be entered in columns two (2) and four (4) respectively. In these columns should be listed all cases in which employees transferred from other Government departments to your institution, or vice versa, and should be included all transfers from your regular to emergency roll or changes from permanent to temporary status or the reverse of either of these. In all cases involving such transfers within your own institution, the changes should be noted both as appointments and as separations under the appropriate headings.

Separate sheets should be submitted for your regular and emergency rolls. You will note that the sheet includes two classes of employees, "permanent or emergency" and "temporary". All of your employees on the emergency roll as their appointments stand should be placed in the former classification. The "temporary" classification includes only employees whose appointments are definitely limited to a certain number of days or months or to a certain date, other than June 30, 1936, in the case of emergency employees.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

Enclosures
M:VM

O'R/eh

October 17, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept proposal of Riverside Metal Company to supply your Mint with one hundred thousand pounds of one-cent blanks at the rate of decimal three seven seven five cents per pound this being lower of two quotations received of four asked STOP It is understood that embodied in the specifications is the right to order an additional one hundred thousand pounds of these blanks at the same rate if the demand for coins warrants and this action is approved.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

O'R/eh

October 17. 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Relet October 16th authorized to purchase from the Scovill Manufacturing Company one hundred thousand pounds of five-cent nickel blanks at the rate of forty-eight cents per pound this being the lower of two prices received of four firms asked.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm request telephoned to you today to forward to the Mint at San Francisco twelve large ring one-cent collars and twelve small ring one-cent collars.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reel

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 18, 1935.

Superintendmnt,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 17th, you are authorized to purchase from John Slonaker & Company, 10,000 feet of white pine lumber for making coin shipping boxes, at the rate of $43.75 per 1,000 feet.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest of seven received.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

October 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 17th, you are authorized to purchase from The Grasselli Chemical Company, Inc., 10 carboys of C. P. nitric acid at the rate of $11.00 per 100 pounds less 1%, and five carboys of C. P. hydrochloric acid at the rate of $6.00 per 100 pounds less 1%, making a total cost of about $210.00.

It is understood that three firms submitted identical bids and that the Grasselli Chemical Company was awarded the order by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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October 15, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Investigation discloses that there is a question whether all employees in the Mints and Assay Offices have been thoroughly apprised on the contents of Circular 518 dated August 2, 1934, and supplement thereto dated September 10, 1934. I, therefore, request that you supply to all employees, new and old, copies of these circulars in question and require them to read and sign them. These signed copies should be placed in your files as permanent records.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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Forms being sent under separate cover.

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 21, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Upon receipt of your letter stating that Mr. Dwight H. Zollers had not received refund of the excess deductions made from his salary at the Chicago World's Fair, this office investigated and learned that check was mailed to him but was misaddressed and therefore was returned by the Post Office Department. The check has been remailed to the correct address, and it is requested that you advise this office when it has been received by Mr. Zollers.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 21, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of October 16 in which you return bond prepared for execution by Sarah J. Daugherty and state that she now advises that her name is spelled "Dougherty". It is noted that Mrs. Daugherty was not only appointed under the name "Daugherty" but also used this spelling when signing oath of office. In order, therefore, that her name may be changed on our records, it will be necessary that she write a formal letter requesting that the spelling of her name be changed on the records and stating that she will hereafter sign her name "Sarah J. Dougherty".

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

M:VM

Director of the Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 22, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In your letter of October 10, 1935, in response to inquiry of this office of October 9, you stated that an error was made in computing the sick leave of Mr. Edward A. Biggins from preceding years and that he should have a total of five and one-half days sick leave due him for the balance of 1935. It is noted that Mr. Biggins has taken fifty-two days, three hours, fifteen minutes leave without pay during the present calendar year. Mr. Biggins states that there is a doctor's certificate on file in your office covering this entire period of leave without pay.

If you actually have in your files a doctor's certificate indicating that Mr. Biggins was incapacitated for duty during this period, or any five and one-half days thereof, you should change five and one-half days of this leave to sick leave, prepare a supplementary payroll, and send Mr. Biggins a check for five and one-half days' pay. His present address is Apartment 2, 412 Third Street, N. E., Washington, D. C. Please advise this office when you have taken action in this matter in order that an altered statement of leave may be furnished the office where he is now employed.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

M:VM

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

G°Rsch

October 22, 1935.

Government Facilities

Supt., US Mint, Phila., Pa.,
Supt., US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Supt., US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Supt., US Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Assayer in Charge, US Mint, New Orleans, La.

Let us know tomorrow if possible the exact number of helpers skilled workmen and other employees on the emergency roll for whom you would like to get a civil service status STOP Am endeavoring to induce the Civil Service Commission to offer a non-assembled examination.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director.

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October 23, 1935.

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today October twenty third without fail at usual rates five hundred eight thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and four hundred twenty five thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

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October 23, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

As you are aware, a deficiency appropriation has been provided for certain protective devices. The Procurement Division is now working on a contract for uniforms. A certain number of articles to be used by the Mint at Philadelphia are on the General Schedule of Supplies and this letter will be authority for you to make the purchases indicated below, in the quantities shown. Payment for these purchases is to be made from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936".

RIOT GAS GUNS.....4
(General Schedule #2G1200)
GAS BILLIES.....10
(General Schedule #2BI810)
TEAR GAS PROJECTILES.....50
(General Schedule #4C443)
SICKENING GAS PROJECTILES.....25
(General Schedule #4C442)
GAS BILLIE CARTRIDGES.....50
(General Schedule #4C428)

Very truly yours,

A. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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October 24, 1935.

Superintendent,
U S Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant No. 1304-P, for twelve balls of cotton twine, 17¢ each, total $2.04, chargeable to the current Salaries and Expenses appropriation. If this settlement liquidates an encumbrance already set up please report it as such on your monthly appropriations transactions statement as a separate item.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 24, 1935.

Superintendent,
U S Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant No. 1376-P for the following:

Rags	$50.99
Matches	4.05
Buckets	7.68
Toilet Paper	24.60
Total	87.32

The above amounts are chargeable to the current Salaries and Expenses appropriation. If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up please report them as such, as a separate item, on your monthly appropriation transpactions statement.

Yours truly,

M. R. Riley

Acting Director of the Mint.

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

OCTOBER 25, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

APPOINTMENTS GEORGE PALMER AND DOMINIC J KARBOWSKI GUARDS NOT YET APPROVED STOP WILL EXPEDITE ACTION AND WIRE WHEN APPROVED.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR.

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

OCTOBER 25, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.

RE YOUR STATEMENT OF EMPLOYEES YOU DESIRE PLACED UNDER CIVIL SERVICE BY NON-COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION PLEASE SEND IMMEDIATELY DETAILED STATEMENT OF DUTIES UNDER EACH DESIGNATION.

O'REILLY,
ACTING DIRECTOR.

October 25, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a tentative draft of a revision of the Table of Charges. Will you please review this draft and assist the Bureau by criticizing it or suggesting any changes you think might make it more accurate and satisfactory in practical application, should you find it necessary to do so.

The Bureau will appreciate it if you will return this draft as promptly as possible. As you are aware, our stock of the Table of Charges is entirely exhausted. The Table as it stands is quite seriously out of harmony with present conditions.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 490

October 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 19th, icelosing a small, square manila envelope. I regret that we would not be allowed to give you authority to purchase these envelopes in the open market. Requisition has been made for 5,000 envelopes 2¼ x 3½ inches as the smaller size is no longer being made.

Also, please advise the Bureau whether the guide cards requested in requisition of October 16th are to be plain or alphabetical and whether buff color will do instead of yellow as yellow is no longer available. A sample is requested. Please advise the cut of the cards desired, if alphabetical and state whether number wanted is 500 or 50,000 cards.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

OVR/eh

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October 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of Miller, Bain, Beyer & Company to supply your Mint with approximately 15,000 yards of cotton twill at the rate of $0.2930 per yard, net.

It is understood that authorization is requested for the acceptance of the Miller, Bain, Beyer & Company bid at $0.2930 per yard for the reason that their bid is exactly in accordance with the specifications while the slightly lower bid of Olson & French is on a substitute specification from which grade of material you have not had as good results as you have had from cotton meeting your own specifications. It is also understood that Miller, Bain, Beyer & Company can make a more satisfactory delivery.

Your letter indicates that release for the purchase of this material in the commercial market has been granted by the Commissioner of Prison Industries.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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October 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a request from the American Legion Texas Centennial Committee, of Austin, Texas, to have coinage dies sent to the Mint at San Francisco and the Mint at Denver for a small order of the Texas coins.

This letter will be authority for you to prepare the dies and forward them. I suggest that not more than two sets of coinage dies be sent to each Mint.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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October 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of October 22, file M:EM, transmitting request of Mrs. Sarah J. Dougherty that the spelling of her name be changed on the Department's records from "Sarah J. Daugherty", please be advised that such action has been taken. Bond under the new name will be prepared as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

M Director of the Mint.

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

OCTOBER 30, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. Mint, PHILADELPHIA, PA.
SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. MINT, DENVER, COLO.
SUPERINTENDENT, U. S. MINT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

AFTER GIVING CONSIDERATION TO ALL ANGLES TO QUESTION OF GUARD PAY DECIDE THAT ALL ON EMERGENCY AND REGULAR ROLLS SHOULD RECEIVE SIXTEEN HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM INASMUCH AS OUR REQUIREMENTS ARE EXACTING WITH REFERENCE TO BACKGROUND CHARACTER TRAINING AND PHYSICAL FITNESS STOP WILL AWAIT YOUR FORMAL RECOMMENDATION ACCOMPANIED BY NAMES AND THEN TAKE ACTION STOP REQUEST YOU SECURE CONSENT LOCAL CIVIL SERVICE TO PLACING YOUR EMERGENCY GUARDS ON REGULAR ROLL FOR TEMPORARY PERIOD NINETY DAYS.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
DIRECTOR.

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October 30, 1935.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Metalize today October thirtieth without fail at usual rates one million eighty three thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and five hundred eighty three thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint.

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October 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of the coinage desired by the Government of Nicaragua. It is understood by the Nicaraguan Legation that the coinage will be executed in accordance with the terms embodied in your letter of September 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 30th, you are authorized to purchase 1500 pounds of C. P. pig lead, for use in assay work, from the American Smelting and Refining Company, at the rate of $0.1290 per pound.

It is understood that three bids were asked and only one received.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 30th, you are authorized to purchase from Charles Pfizer & Company, Inc., 5 barrels of cream of tartar, weighing about 1,250 pounds, at the rate of 16⅓¢ per pound less 1% 10th proximo.

It is understood that three bids were asked, two received, both of them being identical. The award was made by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a check amounting to $2,530.00 received through the State Department from the Chinese Ambassador, to cover the cost of the preparation of dies for Chinese coins of certain denominations for the twenty-fifth year of the Republic of China. The dies requested are as follows:

50 pr. dies for five cent coin nickel
50 pr. dies for ten cent coin nickel
50 pr. dies for twenty cent coin nickel
20 pr. dies for half cent coin bronze
20 pr. dies for one cent coin bronze
20 pr. dies for twenty-five cent coin silver
20 pr. dies for fifty-cent coin silver

I am also inclosing a copy of the letter from the Chinese Ambassador, addressed to the State Department, which is being sent to you for your information and guidance.

Very truly yours,

A. W. Reilly

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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October 31, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 30th, stating that gas masks were not included in the items enumerated in our letter of October 23rd, covering a list of items you were authorized to purchase through the General Supply Schedule.

Gas masks are not on the Schedule and the Procurement Division has been authorized to obtain proposals. You will be instructed later as to the purchase of these masks.

Very truly yours,

D. N. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

NOVEMBER 1, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
U. S. MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

APPOINTMENTS SYDNEY C. ENGEL HELPER AND HORATIO A FAY GUARD EMERGENCY ROLL AT FIVE DOLLARS PER DIEM AND TWELVE HUNDRED PER ANNUM RESPECTIVELY APPROVED EFFECTIVE DATE OF OATH.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

November 1, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find two copies of an amendment to the Mint Regulations providing that samples for test assay, of fine gold bars, shall hereafter be forwarded to the Mint Bureau from each tenth melt instead of from each fifth melt as heretofore.

It is not the intent that such samples shall be taken from small deposits of refined gold, but from large melts, normally for storage, whether the product of a Mint Service refinery or from some other source.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encls.

November 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 31st, relative to supplying minor metals for the coinage for Nicaragua.

This letter will confirm telephone communication stating that you are authorized to sell from the Mint stock of minor metals the necessary amount, at the rates paid for the last of such metals purchased by you. May I suggest, however, that before doing this you consult the Bank and advise them as to the price in case it might be found that an open market purchase might be more advantageous to the Government of Nicaragua.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

November 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are advised that proof gold lots #69 and #70 which were originally reported as 999.94 and 999.96 respectively, have been found to be much lower.

These corrections were made by checking against a Philadelphia proof standardized against a proof which had been reported by the Bureau of Standards and verified by the Assayer at New York as 999.95.

On receipt of the above mentioned lots the Assayer at New York checked them with their standard and obtained lower results than those reported. Samples were sent to the Bureau for check assays and the Bureau Assayer forwarded two samples of lot #69 (69-A and 69-B) to New York.

Copies of the reports of both Assayers are being enclosed with this letter and you are requested to report to the Bureau any quantities of lots #69 and #70 that have been supplied to other offices.

The Bureau Assayer is working on lot #72 submitted by you on October 30th. Please forward an additional half ounce of this lot at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

November 2, 1935.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U, S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a circular received from the Secretary's Office, through the Chief Clerk of the Department. Please review this circular carefully with a view to suggesting to this Bureau, for transmission to the Secretary's Office, recommendations you may have with respect to changes in legislation affecting the functions of your institution.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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November 4, 1935

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today November fourth without fail at usual rates one million three hundred twenty nine thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and four hundred seventy one thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment; in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director.

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